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Monthly Summary of TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF Statewide

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD July - 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	6		4
2. Clear	1341	40	588
3. Raining	55		29
4. Snowing			
5. Fog			
6. Other	45		25
Total	1447	40	646

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	6		4
2. Straight road—level	912	21	389
3. Straight road—hillcrest	31	1	10
4. Straight road—on grade	191	6	93
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	169	5	84
7. Curve—hillcrest	9	1	3
8. Curve—on grade	129	6	63
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	1447	40	646

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	188	3	82
2. Farmers or farm laborers	87	5	35
3. Students	395	6	169
4. Sales persons	58	1	24
5. Commercial drivers	135	4	68
6. Military personnel	61		28
7. Housewives & domestic servants	209	7	81
8. Retired & pensioners	103	3	46
9. All other workers	943	27	427
Total	2179	55	960

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	189	1	76
2. Received classroom training in school	4		2
3. Received behind the wheel training	3		2
4. Received both classes of training	421	8	204
5. No driver training	1041	46	507
Total	1658	55	791

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	37		18
2. HBD—obviously drunk	32	9	13
3. HBD—ability impaired	43	5	22
4. HBD—ability not impaired	58	1	30
5. HBD—not known if impaired	125	6	78
6. Had not been drinking	1213	24	546
7. Not known if drinking	150	10	84
Total	1658	55	791

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	10		4
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	9	1	4
4. Loose material on surface	63	1	33
5. Under construction or repair	6	1	4
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	24		8
7. Other	1	1	
8. No defects	991	36	490
Total	1104	40	543

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	196		82
2. Equipped with in use	309	6	106
3. Equipped with not in use	1065	29	436
4. Not equipped with	609	20	336
Total	2179	55	960
1. Not stated	996		364
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	311	19	240
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	127	2	61
4. SB did not or could not have helped	745	34	295
Total	2179	55	960

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	799	29	405
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	305	11	138
3. Not stated			
Total	1104	40	543
1. Not stated	351	2	143
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	58	14	26
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		1
4. Exceeding safe speed limit	155	5	96
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	1151	34	546
5. No speed violation	1716	55	812
Total	19		10
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents			



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STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For JULY 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	498	18	269	211	22	432	210	141	81
2. Overturned on road	4		2	2		2		2	
3. Pedestrian	16	3	13		3	15	8	3	4
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	685	12	292	381	18	519	169	186	164
5. Parked motor vehicle	81		19	62		25	12	11	2
6. Railroad train	5	2	2	1	5	2		1	1
7. Bicyclist	23	1	22		1	26	7	18	1
8. Animal	76		8	68		10	4	4	2
9. Fixed object	48	4	17	27	6	24	14	6	4
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	11		2	9		2	1	1	
12.									
Totals	1447	40	646	761	55	1057	425	373	259

SUMMARY OF STATEWIDE ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving bodily injury or property damage of:

\$ 250 or more

☐ In the accident

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This summary includes reports and information available on:

JULY 1971

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RECORDS & STATISTICAL SECTION
MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	407	11	279	2713	71	1775	2470	51	1570	+39
2. Overturned on road	11		9	50		40	27	1	24	-100
3. Pedestrian	8	2	7	106	16	103	82	11	87	+45
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	687	18	367	6041	53	2518	4520	78	1843	-32
5. Parked motor vehicle	86	1	19	912	2	192	622	1	125	+100
6. Railroad train	2	1	1	37	12	14	29	7	22	+71
7. Bicyclist	12		12	61	3	62	51	2	50	+50
8. Animal	35		4	425	34	204			27	NC
9. Fixed object	43		20	436	15	129	330	21	108	-29
10. Other object	1			8		1			3	NC
11. Other non-collision	6	1	5	47	1	14	35	2	22	-50
12.									1	NC
Totals	1298	34	723	10,836	173	4882	8374	174	3879	-57

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	173	174	- .57
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	2545	2380	+6.9
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles	6.8	7.3	-6.8
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles	5.7	5.5	+3.6
5. Fatal Accidents	145	132	+9.8
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Township, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more persons, or those exceeding 1940 or more persons by special ordinance												
1. 2,500 to 10,000	109	1	51	57	1	70						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	88		39	49		56						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	73		35	38		46						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	212	1	85	126	1	109						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	482	2	210	270	2	281						
1. Controlled access highway	203	7	74	122	7	135						
2. State routes	403	16	194	193	23	366						
3. County routes	359	15	168	176	23	275						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	965	38	436	491	53	776						
Total urban and rural	1447	40	646	761	55	1057						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Hour beginning																		
8. Midnight	76	2	6		6		6		10		16	1	22		10	1		
1. 1:00	53	3	5		4		4	1	6		8		17	2	9			
2. 2:00	55	1	7	1	1		3		6		7		17		15			
3. 3:00	72	6	3		8		2		8	1	16	3	18	1	16	1		
4. 4:00	35	3	3	1	3		2	1	3		5		6		13	1		
5. 5:00	28	1			2		2		4		5	1	5		10			
6. 6:00	12	1	2	1	2		1						4		3			
7. 7:00	20	1			2		2		5		5		4		2	1		
8. 8:00	28	1	6	1	6		3		3		4		5		1			
9. 9:00	30	1	5		6	1	8		7		1		2		1			
10. 10:00	40		4		4		2		9		9		10		2			
11. 11:00	54	1	8	1	3		7		9		10		9		8			
12. Noon	55	2	6		12		7		9	2	9		11		1			
13. 1:00	46		9		8		4		6		9		5		5			
14. 2:00	81	1	14	1	12		7		11		15		16		6			
15. 3:00	73	1	11		4		11		8	1	19		13		7			
16. 4:00	90	1	14		20		7		14		9		7		19	1		
17. 5:00	113	1	9	1	25		15		16		21		17		10			
18. 6:00	92	2	10		13		15	1	15		19		12		8	1		
19. 7:00	90	4	10		9		8	1	15	1	17		15		16	2		
20. 8:00	90	2	16	1	12		10		13		13		12	1	14			
21. 9:00	60		12		1		6		13		8		10		10			
22. 10:00	79	3	14		5		7	1	12		8	1	21	1	12			
23. 11:00	71	2			5		5		13		9		21	1	9	1		
24. Not stated	4		1										1		2			
Totals	1447	40	184	8	173	1	144	5	215	5	242	6	280	6	209	9		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed																	
	Total Killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total Injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
0 to 4										34	14	20	2	1	1	1		1
5 to 9	3		3							42	22	20	5	1	4	8		3
10 to 14										54	34	20	2	1	1	7	6	1
15 to 19	9	8	1	1	1		1		1	268	175	93	3	2	1	4	1	3
20 to 24	9	5	4							240	177	63				3		
25 to 34	7	5	2	1		1				160	107	53					2	1
35 to 44	11	10	1							72	38	34						
45 to 54	3	3								81	47	34	1		1			
55 to 64	7	4	3							55	30	25						
65 to 74										27	16	11						
75 & older	4	1	3	1	1					13	7	6	1	1				
Not stated	2	1	1							11	3	8						
Totals	55	37	18	3	2	1	1		1	1057	670	387	14	6	8	23	14	9

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS -- An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road.

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Number of Persons Killed			
	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	191		100	91
2a. From same direction -- both going straight	8	1	4	3
b. Same -- one turn, one straight	82		33	49
c. Same -- one stopped	80		29	51
d. Same -- all others				
3a. From opposite direction -- both going straight	4		1	3
b. Same -- one left turn, one straight	53	1	23	29
c. Same -- all others	2			2
4. Not stated				
Totals	420	2	190	228

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Number of Persons Killed			
	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite directions -- both moving	75	7	40	28
2. Going same direction -- both moving	80	1	32	47
3a. One car parked	81		19	62
b. One car stopped in traffic	65	2	22	41
4a. One car entering parked position	1			1
b. One car leaving parked position	24		2	22
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	4		1	3
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	16		5	11
6. All others	3			3
7. Not stated				
Totals	349	10	121	218

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	Number of Persons Killed						
	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non intersection	Total	Intersection	Non intersection
1. Car going straight	23	3		3	20	5	15
2. Car turning right	1				1		1
3. Car turning left	3				3	2	1
4. Car backing							
5. All others	2				2	1	1
6. Not stated							
Totals	29	3		3	26	8	18

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Number of Persons Killed			
	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle -- person, bicycle, etc.	6		6	
2. Fixed object in road	13		7	6
3. Overturned in road	1		1	
4. Left road	46		27	18
5. Non-motor vehicle -- person, bicycle, etc.	9	3	5	1
6. Fixed object in road	35	4	10	21
7. Overturned in road	3		1	2
8. At curve	206	9	110	87
9. Straight road	245	8	131	106
10. Fall from moving vehicle	2		2	
11. All others	83		9	74
12. Not stated				
Totals	649	25	309	315

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured										
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated	
1. Crossing or entering roadway -- at intersection		9			1	1	1			1		
b. Same -- not at intersection		16	3	5	5	2			1			
2a. Walking in roadway -- with traffic	1	9		1	2	3	2					
b. Same -- against traffic	1	4		1	1	2						
3. Standing in roadway												
4. Getting on or off other vehicle												
5. Pushing or working on vehicle or roadway	1	1						1				
6. Other working in roadway												
7. Playing in roadway												
8. Other in roadway	1	2		1		1						
9. Not in roadway												
10. Not stated												
Totals	4	41	3	13	9	9	3	1	1	2		

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded				
8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	
1. 15 & younger	73	2	32	
2. 16	96		41	
3. 17	109		55	
4. 18 to 19	220	3	91	
5. 20 to 24	441	11	217	
6. 25 to 34	419	16	175	
7. 35 to 44	263	12	106	
8. 45 to 54	253	3	111	
9. 55 to 64	178	7	79	
10. 65 to 74	95		43	
11. 75 & older	32	1	10	
12. Not stated				
Totals	2179	55	960	

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included			
12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1745	30	717
2. Passenger car and tractor	11		2
3. Truck or truck tractor	351	19	144
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	63	1	34
5. Other truck combination	2		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1		1
7. Tractor	4		1
8. Bus	3		1
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	94	4	38
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated			
Totals	2284	55	990

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Backstop	539	4	226
2. Not backstop	908	36	420
3. Not stated			
Totals	1447	40	646

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	962	18	431
2. Dawn or dusk	87	2	39
3. Darkness	392	20	171
4. Not stated	6		5
Totals	1447	40	646

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded			
9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1646	45	722
2. Female	533	10	238
3. Not stated			
Totals	2179	55	960

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included			
13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	1636		602
2. Wet	69	38	35
3. Snowy or icy	1	2	
4. Other	8		5
5. Not stated	6		4
Totals	1447	40	646

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	360	7	186
2. Failed to yield right of way	152		72
3. Drove left of center	38	2	19
4. Improper overtaking	26	3	11
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	28		15
7. Followed too closely	17		15
8. Made improper turn	22		5
9. Other improper driving	14	1	5
10. Inadequate brakes	13		3
11. Improper lights	5		3
12. Had been drinking	49	14	21
Totals	748	27	355

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SUMMARY REPORT OF

Urban

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD

July 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	6		4
2. Clear	442	2	188
3. Raining	27		13
4. Snowing			
5. Fog			
6. Other	7		5
Total	482	2	210

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	6		4
2. Straight road—level	409	2	170
3. Straight road—hillcrest	9		5
4. Straight road—on grade	32		20
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	16		6
7. Curve—hillcrest	1		
8. Curve—on grade	9		5
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	482	2	210

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	70		31
2. Farmers or farm laborers	11		4
3. Students	164	1	60
4. Sales persons	31		10
5. Commercial drivers	33		13
6. Military personnel	21		8
7. Housewives & domestic servants	84		33
8. Retired & pensioners	49		21
9. All other workers	388	1	184
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3. Received behind the wheel training	3		2
4. Received both classes of training	135		57
5. No driver training	245	1	104
Total	572	2	239

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1. Not stated	37		18
2. HBD—obviously drunk	7		2
3. HBD—ability impaired	7	1	2
4. HBD—ability not impaired	16		8
5. HBD—not known if impaired	28		12
6. Had not been drinking	449	1	185
7. Not known if drinking	28		12
Total	572	2	239

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders			
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps			
4. Loose material on surface	2		1
5. Under construction or repair			
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other			
8. No defects	319	2	138
Total	321	2	139

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Total	851	2	364

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	277	2	117
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	44		22
3. Not stated			
Total	321	2	139
1. Not stated	282		107
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	23	1	13
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		1
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit			
5. No speed violation			
Total	314	1	131
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	620	2	252
2. Hit & run accidents	7		3

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1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons					Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents. a. Bleeding wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene. b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement. c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured				
							Total	a	b	c	
Collision of Motor vehicle with:	Motor Vehicle										
	1. Ran off road	13		9	4		13	7	6		
	2. Overturned on road	2		1	1		1		1		
	3. Pedestrian	10	2	8		2	8	4	3	1	
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	346		145	201		197	45	73	79	
	5. Parked motor vehicle	64		14	50		19	7	10	2	
	6. Railroad train	1		1			1			1	
	7. Bicyclist	18		18			22	6	15	1	
	8. Animal										
	9. Fixed object	28		14	14		20	12	5	3	
	10. Other object										
	11. Other non-collision										
12.											
Totals		482	2	210	270	2	281	81	113	87	

SUMMARY OF URBAN ACCIDENTS

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1. Ran off road	6		6	224		93	115		49	NC %
2. Overturned on road	4		4	16		15	10		11	NC %
3. Pedestrian	5	1	5	69	6	66	51	3	55	+100 %
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	393		130	3850	3	1227	2870	2	889	+50 %
5. Parked motor vehicle	70	1	17	709		133	491	1	100	-100 %
6. Railroad train	1		1	5		5	9	1	3	-100 %
7. Bicyclist	8		8	43		47	36		36	NC %
8. Animal	1						4			NC %
9. Fixed object	32		13	202	1	66	236	5	83	-80 %
10. Other object	1			3		1	3			NC %
11. Other non-collision	2		2	4		3	6	1	3	-100 %
12. Other							1		1	NC %
Totals	523	2	185	5125	10	1656	3832	13	1230	-23 %

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	10	13	-23%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal Accidents	10	13	-23%
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents			Number of Persons			Number of Accidents			Number of Persons		
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	109	1	51	57	1	70						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	88		39	49		56						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	73		35	38		46						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	212	1	85	126	1	109						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	482	2	210	270	2	281						
1. Controlled access highway												
2. State routes												
3. County routes												
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural												
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
	Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning	
0. Midnight	16		2				1		4		3		4		2			
1. 1:00	10						1		1		1		5		2			
2. 2:00	12		2						3		2		2		3			
3. 3:00	20		2		2				4		6		3		3			
4. 4:00	10	1			1				1		2		3		3	1		
5. 5:00	5	1									1	1	2		2			
6. 6:00	2												1		1			
7. 7:00	1												1					
8. 8:00	10		1		1		1		2		3		2					
9. 9:00	8				3		2		2						1			
10. 10:00	14		3						2		4		4		1			
11. 11:00	13		2		2				1		5		2		1			
12. Noon	23		3		6		3		3		5		3					
13. 1:00	19		4		4				3		5		1		2			
14. 2:00	38		9		7		5		5		6		5		1			
15. 3:00	30		3		1		6		5		10		5					
16. 4:00	27		4		7				7		4		3		2			
17. 5:00	53		2		13		6		8		13		7		4			
18. 6:00	36		3		4		6		12		5		4		2			
19. 7:00	31		3		5		3		6		6		3		5			
20. 8:00	39		9		6		5		5		8		3		3			
21. 9:00	27		6		1		3		5		3		6		3			
22. 10:00	20		5				2		4				7		2			
23. 11:00	14		6		1		1		1		3		2					
24. Not stated	4		1										1		2			
Totals	482	2	70		64		45		84		95	1	79		45	1		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										13	4	9	1	1		1		1
2. 5 to 9										11	5	6	2		2	6	3	3
3. 10 to 14										15	10	5	2	1	1	6	5	1
4. 15 to 19	1	1		1	1					67	38	29				4	1	3
5. 20 to 24										70	49	21				3	2	1
6. 25 to 34	1		1	1		1				39	21	18						
7. 35 to 44										14	3	11						
8. 45 to 54										16	7	9	1		1			
9. 55 to 64										14	6	8						
10. 65 to 74										9	5	4						
11. 75 & older										2	2		1	1				
Totals	1	1		2	1	1				281	153	128	7	3	4	20	11	9

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	146		80	66
2. From same direction - both going straight	1		1	
3. Same - one turn, one straight	16		3	13
4. Same - one stopped	57		20	37
5. From opposite direction - both going straight	2		2	
6. Same - one left turn, one straight	39		14	25
7. Same - all others	2		2	
8. Not stated				
Totals	263		118	145

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	6		3	3
2. Going same direction - both moving	17		6	11
3a. One car parked	64		14	50
b. One car stopped in traffic	29		10	19
4a. One car entering parked position	1		1	
b. One car leaving parked position	13		2	11
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	4		1	3
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	13		5	8
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	147		41	106

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
		Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	12	2	2	10
2. Car turning right	1			1
3. Car turning left	3			3
4. Car backing				2
5. All others	2			1
6. Not stated				
Totals	18	2	2	16

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	6		6	
2. Fixed object or road	12		6	6
3. Overturned in road	1		1	
4. Left road	6		5	1
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	5		5	
6. Fixed object or road	16		8	8
7. Overturned in road	1		1	
8. At curve	3		1	2
9. Straight road	4		3	1
10. Fell from moving vehicle				
11. All others				
12. Not stated				
Totals	54		35	19

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Age of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection	6		2	1	1	1			1	
b. Same - not at intersection	10		2	3	4					
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic	7		1	2	2	2		1		
b. Same - against traffic	1		1	1	2					
3. Standing in roadway	4									
4. Getting on or off other vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway	1		1				1			
6. Other working in roadway										
7. Playing in roadway										
8. Other in roadway	1		1							
9. Not in roadway										
10. Not stated										
Totals	2	29	2	8	8	5	3	1	1	1

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded				Vehicles in proper parking locations are included			
8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	41	1	15	1. Passenger car	758	2	291
2. 16	43		18	2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. 17	37		17	3. Truck or truck tractor	119		47
4. 18 to 19	89		34	4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	6		2
5. 20 to 24	183		81	5. Other truck combination			
6. 25 to 34	142	1	59	6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. 35 to 44	92		42	7. Trolley	4		1
8. 45 to 54	89		37	8. Bus	2		1
9. 55 to 64	75		36	9. School bus			
10. 65 to 74	41		21	10. Motorcycle	46		44
11. 75 & older	19		4	11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Not stated				12. Others and not stated	2		
Totals	851	2	364	Totals	937	2	386

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	586	1	247	1. Dry	445	2	191
2. Female	265	1	117	2. Wet	30		14
3. Not stated				3. Slippy or icy			
Totals	851	2	364	4. Other	1		1
				5. Not stated	6		4
				Totals	482	2	210

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	693	2	303	1. Built-up	482	2	210
2. Passing through on route	111		40	2. Not built-up			
3. Non-resident of county	46		21	3. Not stated			
4. Not stated	1			Totals	482	2	210
Totals	851	2	364				

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	88	1	35	1. Daylight	368		165
2. Failed to yield right of way	104		52	2. Dawn or dusk	18		8
3. Drove left of center	4			3. Darkness	90	2	32
4. Improper overtaking	3		1	4. Inadequate brakes	6		5
5. Pressed stop sign				Totals	482	2	210
6. Overspeeded traffic signal	20		11				
7. Followed too closely	22		7				
8. Made improper turn	12		2				
9. Other improper driving	2		1				
10. Improper lights	5		1				
11. Had been drinking	13	1	4				
Totals	275	2	114				

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF

Rural

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD

July 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	899	38	400
3. Raining	28		16
4. Snowing			
5. Fog			
6. Other	38		20
Total	965	38	436

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	503	19	219
3. Straight road—hillcrest	22	1	5
4. Straight road—on grade	159	6	73
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	153	5	78
7. Curve—hillcrest	8	1	3
8. Curve—on grade	120	6	58
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	965	38	436

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	118	3	51
2. Farmers or farm laborers	76	5	31
3. Students	231	5	109
4. Sales persons	27	1	14
5. Commercial drivers	102	4	55
6. Military personnel			
7. Housewives & domestic servants	125	7	48
8. Retired & pensioners	54	2	25
9. All other workers	555	26	243
Total	1328	53	596

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Received classroom training in school	4		2
3. Received behind the wheel training			
4. Received both classes of training	286	8	147
5. No driver training	796	45	403
Total	1086	53	552

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. HBD—obviously drunk	25	9	11
3. HBD—ability impaired	36	4	20
4. HBD—ability not impaired	42	1	22
5. HBD—not known if impaired	97	6	66
6. Had not been drinking	764	24	361
7. Not known if drinking	122	9	72
Total	1086	53	552

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	10		4
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	9	1	4
4. Loose material on surface	61	1	32
5. Under construction or repair	6	1	4
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	24		8
7. Other	1	1	
8. No defects	672	34	352
Total	783	38	404

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Equipped with in use	215	6	74
3. Equipped with not in use	683	28	289
4. Not equipped with	428	19	233
Total	1328	53	596
1. Not stated	242		44
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.			
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	303	19	232
4. SB did not or could not have helped	122	2	58
Total	661	32	262
Total	1328	53	596

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	522	27	288
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	261	11	116
3. Not stated			
Total	783	38	404
1. Not stated	69	2	36
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	35	13	13
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	155	5	96
5. No speed violation	837	33	415
Total	1096	53	560
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	12		7
2. Hit & run accidents			

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For JULY 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			Total
						a	b	c	
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	485	18	260	207	22	419	203	135	81
2. Overturned on road	2		1	1		1		1	
3. Pedestrian	6	1	5		1	7	4		3
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	339	12	147	180	18	322	124	113	85
5. Parked motor vehicle	17		5	12		6	5		1
6. Railroad train	4	2	1	1	5	1		1	
7. Bicyclist	5	1	4		1	4	1	3	
8. Aerial	76		8	68		10	4	4	2
9. Fixed object	20	4	3	13	6	4	2	1	1
10. Other object			2	9		2	1	1	
11. Other non-collision	11								
12.									
Totals	965	38	463	491	53	776	344	260	172

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF RURAL ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of:

\$ 250. or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information given by:

JULY 1 1971

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MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS		Some Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Some Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Calluse of other vehicle with	1. Ran off road	401	11	273	2489	71	1682	2355	51	1521	+39
	2. Overturned on road	7		5	34		25	17	1	13	-100
	3. Pedestrian	3	1	2	37	10	37	31	8	32	+25
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	294	18	237	2191	50	1291	1650	76	954	-34
	5. Parked motor vehicle	16		2	203	2	59	131		25	+19
	6. Railroad train	1	1	1	32	12	9	20	6	19	+100
	7. Bicyclist	4		4	18	3	15	15	2	14	+50
	8. Aerial	34		4	425		34	200		27	NC
	9. Fixed object	11		7	234	14	63	94	16	25	-13
	10. Other object				5						NC
	11. Other non-collision	4	1	3	43	1	11	29	1	19	NC
	12.										
Totals		775	32	538	5711	163	3226	4542	161	2649	+1.2

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	163	161	+1.2
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal Accidents	135	119	+13.4
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
Urban: All incorporated places of 2500 or more, those above 2500 by population in 1960 or more by population in 1970												
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban												
Rural: All locations other than those above												
1. Controlled access highway	203	7	74	122	7	135						
2. State routes	403	16	194	193	23	366						
3. County routes	259	15	168	176	23	275						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	965	38	436	491	53	776						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
	Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning	
Before Noon																		
0. Midnight	60	2	4		6		5		6		13	1	18		8	1		
1. 1:00	43	3	5		4		3	1	5		7		12	2	7			
2. 2:00	43	1	5	1	1		2		3		5		15		12			
3. 3:00	52	6	1		6		3		4	1	10	3	15	1	13	1		
4. 4:00	25	2	3	1	2		2	1	2		3		3		10			
5. 5:00	23				2		2		4		4		3		8			
6. 6:00	10	1	2	1	2		1		5		5		3		2			
7. 7:00	19	1			2		2						3		2	1		
8. 8:00	18	1	5	1	5		2		1		1		3		1			
9. 9:00	22	1	5		3	1	6		5		1		2					
10. 10:00	26	1	1		4		2		7		5		6		1			
11. 11:00	41	1	6	1	1		7		8		5		7		7			
12. Noon	32	2	3		6		4		6	2	4		8		1			
After Noon																		
13. 1:00	27		5		4		4		3		4		4		3			
14. 2:00	43	1	5	1	5		2		6		9		11		5			
15. 3:00	43	1	8		3		5		3	1	9		8		7			
16. 4:00	63	1	10		13		7		7		5		4		17	1		
17. 5:00	60	1	7	1	12		9		8		8		10		6			
18. 6:00	56	2	7		9		9	1	3		14		8		6	1		
19. 7:00	59	4	7		4		5	1	9	1	11		12		11	2		
20. 8:00	51	2	7	1	6		5		8		5		9	1	11			
21. 9:00	33		6				3		8		5		4		7			
22. 10:00	59	3	9		5		5	1	8		8	1	14	1	10			
23. 11:00	57	2	3		4		4		12		6		19	1	9	1		
24. Not stated																		
Totals	965	38	114	8	109	1	99	5	131	5	147	5	201	6	164	8		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Total Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										21	10	11	1	1	1			
2. 5 to 9	3		3							31	17	14	3	1	2	2	2	
3. 10 to 14										39	24	15				1	1	
4. 15 to 19	8	7	1						1	201	137	64	3	2	1			
5. 20 to 24	9	5	4							170	128	42						
6. 25 to 34	6	5	1							121	86	35						
7. 35 to 44	11	10	1							58	35	23						
8. 45 to 54	3	3								65	40	25						
9. 55 to 64	7	4	3							41	24	17						
10. 65 to 74										18	11	7						
11. 75 & older										11	5	6						
12. Not stated	2	1	1															
Totals	53	36	17	1	1				1	776	517	259	7	3	4	3	3	

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	45		20	25
2a. From same direction - both going straight	7	1	3	3
b. Same - one turn, one straight	66		30	36
c. Same - one stopped	23		9	14
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	2		1	1
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	14	1	9	4
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	157	2	72	83

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	69	7	37	25
2. Going same direction - both moving	63	1	26	36
3a. One car parked	17		5	12
b. One car stopped in traffic	36	2	12	22
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	11		11	
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	3		3	
6. All others	3		3	
7. Not stated				
Totals	202	10	80	112

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	11	1		1	10	3	7
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left							
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	11	1	1	1	10	3	7

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision 1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc. with				
2. Fixed object in road	1		1	
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	40	1	22	17
Collision 5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc. with				
6. Fixed object in road	19	4	2	13
7. Overturned in road	2		1	1
Left road 8. All curve	203	9	109	85
9. Straight road	241	8	128	105
10. Fall from moving vehicle	2		2	
11. All others	83		9	74
12. Not stated				
Totals	595	25	274	296

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway of intersection		3		3							
b. Same - not at intersection		6	1	2	1	2					
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic	1	2				1				1	
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Standing on roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle on roadway											
6. Other working on roadway											
7. Playing on roadway											
8. Other on roadway	1	1				1					
9. Not on roadway											
10. Not stated											
Totals	2	12	1	5	1	4				1	

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	32	1	17
2. 16	53		23
3. 17	72		38
4. 18 to 19	131	3	57
5. 20 to 24	258	11	136
6. 25 to 34	277	15	116
7. 35 to 44	171	12	64
8. 45 to 54	164	3	74
9. 55 to 64	103	7	43
10. 65 to 74	54		22
11. 75 & older	13	1	6
12. Not stated			
Totals	1328	53	596

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	987	28	426
2. Passenger car and trailer	11		2
3. Truck or truck tractor	232	19	97
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	57	1	32
5. Other truck combination	2		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1		1
7. Tractor			
8. Bus	1		
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	48	4	44
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Other and not stated	8	1	2
Totals	1347	53	604

Special vehicles included above

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	918	36	411
2. Wet	39	2	21
3. Snowy or icy	1		
4. Other	7		4
5. Not stated			
Totals	965	38	436

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Building	57	2	16
2. Not building	908	36	420
3. Not stated			
Totals	965	38	436

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	594	18	266
2. Dawn or dusk	69	2	31
3. Darkness	302	18	139
4. Not stated			
Totals	965	38	436

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1060	44	475
2. Female	268	9	121
3. Not stated			
Totals	1328	53	596

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local residence	753	28	350
2. Residing elsewhere in state	282	11	120
3. Residing out of state	293	14	126
4. Not stated			
Totals	1328	53	596

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	272	6	151
2. Failed to yield right of way	48		20
3. Drove left of center	34	2	19
4. Improper overtaking	23	3	10
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	8		4
7. Followed too closely	19		8
8. Made improper turn	10		3
9. Other improper driving	12	1	4
10. Inadequate brakes	8		2
11. Improper lights	3		3
12. Had been drinking	36	13	17
Totals	473	25	241

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF STATEWIDE

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD

AUGUST

1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Clear	1330	37	564
3. Raining	68	1	29
4. Snowing			
5. Fog	3		2
6. Other	33		19
Total	1436	38	614

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	4		1
2. Straight road—level	918	19	388
3. Straight road—hillcrest	34		12
4. Straight road—on grade	184	7	79
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	155	6	59
7. Curve—hillcrest	7		5
8. Curve—on grade	134	6	70
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	1436	38	614

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	219	3	87
2. Farmers or farm laborers	124	3	45
3. Students	425	5	203
4. Sales persons	54	3	23
5. Commercial drivers	99	5	43
6. Military personnel	46	1	19
7. Housewives & domestic servants	235	4	91
8. Retired & pensioners	116	2	49
9. All other workers	829	22	348
Total	2147	48	908

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	208	1	97
2. Received classroom training in school	6		4
3. Received behind the wheel training	8		5
4. Received both classes of training	402	8	184
5. No driver training	1031	39	465
Total	1655	48	755

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	29	1	17
2. HBD—obviously drunk	37	8	17
3. HBD—ability impaired	47	3	27
4. HBD—ability not impaired	29	3	15
5. HBD—not known if impaired	130	2	81
6. Had not been drinking	1224	21	523
7. Not known if drinking	159	10	75
Total	1655	48	755

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	6		1
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	11	1	5
4. Loose material on surface	53		32
5. Under construction or repair	12	1	7
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	17	2	7
7. Other			
8. No defects	1014	34	468
Total	1113	38	520

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	172	1	62
2. Equipped with in use	352	6	124
3. Equipped with not in use	1047	23	414
4. Not equipped with	576	18	308
Total	2147	48	908
1. Not stated	839		307
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	315	16	214
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	142	3	65
4. SB did not or could not have helped	851	29	322
Total	2147	48	908

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	694		353
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	419	38	167
3. Not stated			
Total	1113	38	520
1. Not stated	339	1	153
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	47	7	27
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		1
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Not exceeding legal speed limit	163	6	94
5. No speed violation	1179	35	497
Total	1729	49	772
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents	24	1	15



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For AUGUST 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	481	22	244	215	25	352	143	134	75
2. Overturned on road	5		5			6	3	2	1
3. Pedestrian	23	3	20		3	20	11	6	3
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	671	9	273	389	15	474	138	158	178
5. Parked motor vehicle	86	1	19	66	1	26	13	8	5
6. Railroad train	3	1		2	1				
7. Bicyclist	19	1	18		1	21	9	11	1
8. Animal	88		11	77		13	1	3	9
9. Fixed object	44		18	26		23	13	8	2
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	16	1	6	9	1	6	5	1	
12.									
Totals	1436	38	614	784	47	941	336	331	274

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding, wound, displaced member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaints of pain, with or without signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF STATEWIDE ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of:

\$ 250. or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on:

REPORT PREPARED BY

Montana Highway Patrol
Records and Statistical Section

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS		Some Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Some Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Collision of Motor Vehicle with:	1. Ran off road	414	22	305	3194	96	2127	2884	73	1875	+31.5%
	2. Overturned on road	8	2	9	55		46	35	3	33	-100%
	3. Pedestrian	11	3	8	129	19	123	93	14	95	+357%
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	680	17	339	6712	68	2992	5200	95	2182	-28.4%
	5. Parked motor vehicle	99	1	19	998	3	218	721	2	144	+50%
	6. Railroad train	2		2	40	13	14	31	7	24	+85.7%
	7. Bicyclist	10		13	80	4	83	61	2	63	+100%
	8. Animal	44		13	513		47	248		40	NC%
	9. Fixed object	46	3	14	480	15	152	376	24	122	-37.5%
	10. Other object				8		1	3			NC%
	11. Other non-collision	9		9	63	2	20	44	2	31	NC%
	12.							1		1	%
Totals		1323	48	731	12,272	220	5823	9697	222	4610	-9.9%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	220	222	-9%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	3129	2816	+11.1%
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	7.0	7.8	-10.5%
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	5.8	6.1	-4.9%
5. Fatal Accidents	183	172	+6.3%
6.			%

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 50,000 or more people and all areas classified as urban by special rules followed in 1960 census												
1. 2,500 to 10,000	105	1	45	59	1	58						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	96	1	40	55	1	55						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	72		31	41		43						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	215	1	101	113	1	141						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	488	3	217	268	3	297						
1. Controlled access highway	81	6	41	34	8	79						
2. State routes	512	19	204	289	25	344						
3. County routes	355	10	152	193	11	221						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	948	35	397	516	44	644						
Total urban and rural	1436	38	614	784	47	941						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
6. Midnight	66		8		9		8		8		11		11		11			
1. 1:00	51	2	10		4		3		3		7		5		19	2		
2. 2:00	43	2	6		3		4		3		9		5	1	13	1		
3. 3:00	67	2	10		5	1	4		5	1	2		16		25			
4. 4:00	35	3	6		3		4		4	1	1		6	1	11	1		
5. 5:00	22	2	1		2		4		4		2		9	1	4	1		
6. 6:00	12		1		1		1		1		1		3		4			
7. 7:00	17		1		3		1		4		2		1		5			
8. 8:00	30		11		5		2		2		6		1		3			
9. 9:00	48	2	9		11	1	6		8	1	2		8		4			
10. 10:00	32	2	8		8	1	5		3				5		3	1		
11. 11:00	41		9		8		6		5		7		1		5			
12. Noon	88	2	16		16	1	11		8	1	17		11		9			
1. 1:00	76	3	14		8		9		9	2	14		11		11	1		
14. 2:00	78	1	13		13		7		14		11	1	12		8			
15. 3:00	80	1	17		10		11		10	1	11		12		9			
16. 4:00	74	2	11	1	13	1	4		13		10		12		11			
17. 5:00	94	1	14		18	1	15		10		14		10		13			
18. 6:00	97	3	17	2	12		15	1	18		11		10		14			
19. 7:00	83	1	12	1	12		9		9		16		9		16			
20. 8:00	73	3	8		7		8		7		14	1	9		20	2		
21. 9:00	77		4		18		10		11		9		11		14			
22. 10:00	76	1	12		11	1	7		12		16		9		9			
23. 11:00	74	4	9		12		13		7	3	16		10	1	7			
24. Not stated	2	1	1	1					1									
Totals	1436	38	228	5	212	7	163	1	179	10	209	2	197	4	248	9		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY				Number of Persons Killed												Number of Persons Injured											
				Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists								
				Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female									
0 to 4													18	11	7	3	2	1			4						
5 to 9				2	1	1							32	17	15	2	1	1		7	4	3					
10 to 14				3	3				1	1			33	20	13				5	3	1						
15 to 19				5	3	2	1			1			270	179	91	1		1	3	1							
20 to 24				15	8	7	1			1			188	124	64	1	1		3	1		2					
25 to 34				10	9	1							119	76	43	1	1		1								
35 to 44				2	1	1							81	48	33	4	3	1	1			1					
45 to 54				4	2	2	1			1			77	47	30	2		2									
55 to 64				4	4		1			1			60	34	26	3	2	1									
65 to 74													39	16	23	1	1	1									
75 & older				2	1	1							20	11	9	2	1	1									
Not stated													4	1	3												
Totals				47	32	15	4	1	3	1	1		941	584	357	20	12	8	20	13	7						

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.		Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle		228	2	104	122
2a. From same direction - both going straight		9		3	6
b. Same - one left, one straight		83	1	30	52
c. Same - one stopped		59		28	31
d. Same - all others		1			1
2b. From opposite direction - both going straight		3			3
c. Same - one left turn, one straight		44		14	30
d. Same - all others					
e. Not stated					
Totals		427	3	179	245

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.		Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving		66	5	27	34
2. Going same direction - both moving		90	1	31	58
3a. One car parked		86	1	19	66
b. One car stopped in traffic		46		24	22
4a. One car entering parked position					
b. One car leaving parked position		16		4	12
5a. One car entering alley or driveway		11		4	7
b. One car leaving alley or driveway		14		3	11
c. All others		5	1	1	3
7. Not stated					
Totals		334	8	113	213

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	22	4	2	2	18	4	14
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left	3				3	2	1
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	25	4	2	2	21	6	15

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS		Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision 1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. with		7		7	
2. Fixed object in road		11		6	5
3. Overturned on road		2		2	
4. Left road		29		14	15
Collision 5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. with		14	1	11	2
6. Fixed object in road		33		12	21
7. Overturned on road		3		3	
8. At curve		200	11	98	91
9. Straight road		253	11	132	110
10. Fall from moving vehicle		4		4	
11. All others		94		12	82
12. Not stated					
Totals		650	23	301	326

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									Not Stated
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Over	
1a. Crossing at entering roadway - at intersection	2	17		3	2	2	1	2	5	2	
b. Same - not at intersection	3	19	3	4	2	2	3	2	2	1	
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic		4		1	1		1	1			
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Standing on roadway		1						1			
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle on roadway											
6. Other working on roadway											
7. Playing on roadway		1		1							
8. Other on roadway		3			1	1		1			
9. Not on roadway											
10. Not stated											
Totals	5	45	3	9	6	5	5	7	7	3	

Drivers of vehicles at proper parking locations are excluded			
8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	79	1	37
2. 16	105	2	58
3. 17	101		43
4. 18 to 19	246	1	111
5. 20 to 24	413	10	181
6. 25 to 34	387	21	157
7. 35 to 44	273	4	109
8. 45 to 54	230	4	92
9. 55 to 64	171	3	64
10. 65 to 74	97		37
11. 75 & older	45	2	19
12. Not stated			
Totals	2147	48	908

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included			
12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1723	34	682
2. Passenger car and motor	12		3
3. Truck or truck tractor	373	8	154
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	42	2	17
5. Other truck combination	6		2
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	4	1	
7. Trolley	2		2
8. Bus	5	1	1
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	73	2	66
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	11	1	3
Totals	2251	49	930

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.			
13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	1347	36	578
2. Wet	82	1	33
3. Slippy or icy			
4. Other	5	1	3
5. Not stated	2		
Totals	1436	38	614

14 KIND OF LOCATION			
	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	532	4	228
2. Not built-up	904	34	386
3. Not stated			
Totals	1436	38	614

15 LIGHT CONDITION			
	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	926	23	394
2. Dawn or dusk	67		19
3. Darkness	441	15	201
4. Not stated	2		
Totals	1436	38	614

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED			
	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	289		148
2. Failed to yield right of way	151		64
3. Drove left of center	37		20
4. Improper overtaking	16		7
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	36		20
7. Followed too closely	45		22
8. Made improper turn	14		3
9. Other improper driving	8		5
10. Inadequate brakes	9		4
11. Improper lights	1		1
12. Had been drinking	46		27
Totals	652		321

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF

URBAN

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD AUGUST 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Clear	447	3	198
3. Raining	27		13
4. Snowing			
5. Fog			
6. Other	12		6
Total	488	3	217

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	4		1
2. Straight road—level	416	3	185
3. Straight road—hillcrest	7		2
4. Straight road—on grade	47		21
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	9		5
7. Curve—hillcrest	1		1
8. Curve—on grade	4		2
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	488	3	217

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	60		26
2. Farmers or farm laborers	22		6
3. Students	198		100
4. Sales persons	29		11
5. Commercial drivers	27	1	12
6. Military personnel	16		8
7. Housewives & domestic servants	101		45
8. Retired & pensioners	43		22
9. All other workers	347	2	144
Total	843	3	374

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	206	1	97
2. Received classroom training in school			
3. Received behind the wheel training	6		4
4. Received both classes of training	123		64
5. No driver training	242	2	113
Total	577	3	278

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	27	1	17
2. HBD—obviously drunk	13	1	8
3. HBD—ability impaired	7		5
4. HBD—ability not impaired	8		5
5. HBD—not known if impaired	24		12
6. Had not been drinking	451		209
7. Not known if drinking	47	1	22
Total	577	3	278

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders			
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps			
4. Loose material on surface	1		1
5. Under construction or repair			
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other			
8. No defects	333	3	161
Total	334	3	162

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	170		62
2. Equipped with in use	109		40
3. Equipped with not in use	360	2	156
4. Not equipped with	204	1	116
Total	843	3	374
1. Not stated	617		252
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	17		16
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	10		5
4. SB did not or could not have helped	199	3	101
Total	843	3	374

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	266		127
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	68	3	35
3. Not stated			
Total	334	3	162
1. Not stated	264		123
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	12		9
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		1
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	1		1
6. No speed violation	352	3	157
Total	630	3	291
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents	10	1	5

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA (State) For AUGUST 1971 (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	8	1	2	5	1	3	1	1	1
2. Overturned on road	3		3			4	2	2	
3. Pedestrian	15	1	14		1	14	7	4	3
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	342		148	194		217	52	69	96
5. Parked motor vehicle	67		15	52		18	7	8	3
6. Railroad train	1	1			1				
7. Bicyclist	16		16			17	8	9	
8. Animal									
9. Fixed object	35		18	17		23	13	8	2
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	1		1			1	1		
12.									
Totals	488	3	217	268	3	297	91	101	105

SUMMARY OF URBAN ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of:

\$ 250 or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on:

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2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS		Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Collapse of Motor vehicle with:	1. Ran off road	11		7	232	1	96	126		56	+ INF %
	2. Overturned on road	3		2	19		19	13		13	NC %
	3. Pedestrian	5		5	84	7	80	56	3	60	+133 %
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	380	1	130	4192	3	1444	3250	3	1019	NC %
	5. Parked motor vehicle	82	1	18	776		151	573	2	118	-100 %
	6. Railroad train				6	1	5	9	1	3	NC %
	7. Bicyclist	9		11	59		64	45		47	NC %
	8. Animal	2		2				6		2	NC %
	9. Fixed object	37		8	237	1	89	273	5	91	-80 %
	10. Other object				3		1	3			NC %
	11. Other non-collision	1		1	5		4	7	1	4	-100 %
	12.							1		1	%
Totals		530	2	184	5613	13	1953	4362	15	1414	-13 %

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	13	15	-13 %
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal Accidents	13	15	-13 %
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	105	1	45	59	1	58						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	96	1	40	55	1	55						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	72		31	41		43						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	215	1	101	113	1	141						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	488	3	217	268	3	297						
1. Controlled access highway												
2. State routes												
3. County routes												
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural												
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon																		
0. Midnight	20		2		6		2		1		4		4		1			
1. 1:00	14		4		1		1		1		1		1		5			
2. 2:00	9						2		1		2		1		3			
3. 3:00	21	1	4		3	1	1						7		6			
4. 4:00	3				2				1									
5. 5:00	5	1			1								3		1	1		
6. 6:00																		
7. 7:00	2				1										1			
8. 8:00	11		5		3		1				2							
9. 9:00	17		5		3		3		3				2		1			
10. 10:00	12	1	3		3	1	2						3		1			
11. 11:00	13		2		2		2		3		3				1			
12. Noon	32		6		6		5		2		7		3		3			
13. 1:00	39		10		5		3		4		11		4		2			
14. 2:00	38		8		6		3		9		5		4		3			
15. 3:00	32		7		6		4		5		4		3		3			
16. 4:00	24		4		2		3		7		5		1		2			
17. 5:00	28		4		8		2		3		3		5		3			
18. 6:00	33		6		3		6		6		5		5		2			
19. 7:00	33		4		5		5		4		5		5		5			
20. 8:00	32		5		1		5		3		6		5		7			
21. 9:00	25		3		4		2		4		2		7		3			
22. 10:00	19		3		2		2		4		6		2		2			
23. 11:00	25		1		4		5		2		7		5		1			
24. Not stated	1								1									
Totals	488	3	86		77	2	57		64		78		70		56	1		
After Noon																		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										9	7	2	2	2				
2. 5 to 9										13	7	6	2	1	1	6	3	3
3. 10 to 14										9	5	4				4	3	1
4. 15 to 19										98	64	34				3	3	
5. 20 to 24	1	1								49	29	20	1	1		3	1	2
6. 25 to 34										32	13	19	1	1		1	1	
7. 35 to 44										23	12	11	2	1	1	1		1
8. 45 to 54	1		1	1		1				24	12	12			2			
9. 55 to 64	1	1		1	1					21	10	11	2	2				
10. 65 to 74										7	1	6	1	1				
11. 75 & older										8	2	6	1		1			
12. Not stated										4	1	3						
Totals	3	2	1	2	1	1				297	163	134	14	9	5	18	11	7

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Crossing at angle	171		85	86
2a. From same direction - both going straight	5		2	3
b. Same - one turn, one straight	12		1	11
c. Same - one stopped	36		20	16
d. Same - all others	1			1
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	2		2	
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	30		8	22
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	257		116	141

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	7		3	4
2. Going same direction - both moving	24		8	16
3a. One car parked	67		15	52
b. One car stopped in traffic	22		12	10
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	7		1	6
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	11		4	7
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	13		3	10
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	151		46	105

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents		Non-Fatal Injury Accidents	
	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	13	2	2	11	3
2. Car turning right					
3. Car turning left	3			3	2
4. Car backing					
5. All others					
6. Not stated					
Totals	16	2	2	14	5

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with: 1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. 2. Fixed object in road	7 10		7 6	
3. Overturned in road	1		1	
4. Left road	1			1
Collision with: 5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. 6. Fixed object in road	10 25		10 12	
7. Overturned in road	2		2	
8. All curve	2		1	1
9. Straight road	5	1	1	3
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others	1		1	
12. Not stated				
Totals	64	1	41	22

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Age of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 34	45 to 54	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - intersection	2	16		3	2	1	2	4	2	
b. Same - not at intersection	10		2	3		2	1	2		
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic	4		1	1		1	1			
b. Same - against traffic										
3. Standing on roadway										
4. Getting on or off other vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway										
6. Other working in roadway										
7. Playing in roadway	1		1							
8. Other on roadway	3			1	1		1			
9. Not in roadway										
10. Not stated										
Totals	2	34	2	8	4	3	4	5	2	

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	47		23
2. 16	58		32
3. 17	52		25
4. 18 to 19	114		44
5. 20 to 24	149	1	67
6. 25 to 34	128	2	59
7. 35 to 44	93		35
8. 45 to 54	77		36
9. 55 to 64	68		29
10. 65 to 74	38		15
11. 75 & older	19		9
12. Not stated			
Totals	843	3	374

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	579	3	254
2. Female	263		120
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	843	3	374

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local residence	693	2	306
2. Residing elsewhere in state	87		36
3. Non-resident of state	63	1	32
4. Not stated			
Totals	843	3	374

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	754	3	301
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	115		48
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	5		2
5. Other truck combination			
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1		
7. Trolley	2		2
8. Bus	1		1
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	39		37
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	3		1
Totals	921	3	392

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	455	3	203
2. Wet	30		13
3. Slippy or icy			
4. Other	1		1
5. Not stated	2		
Totals	488	3	217

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	487	2	217
2. Not built-up	1	1	
3. Not stated			
Totals	488	3	217

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	355	1	159
2. Dawn or dusk	12		5
3. Darkness	119	2	53
4. Not stated	2		
Totals	488	3	217

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	72		28
2. Failed to yield right of way	106		49
3. Drove left of center	5		2
4. Improper overtaking	1		
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	29		18
7. Followed too closely	19		9
8. Made improper turn	5		2
9. Other improper driving	1		1
10. Inadequate brakes	4		2
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	21		13
Totals	263		124

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF RURAL

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD AUGUST 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	883	34	366
3. Raining	41	1	16
4. Snowing			
5. Fog	3		2
6. Other	21		13
Total	948	35	397

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	502	16	203
3. Straight road—hillycrest	27		10
4. Straight road—on grade	137	7	58
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	146	6	54
7. Curve—hillycrest	6		4
8. Curve—on grade	130	6	68
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	948	35	397

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	159	3	61
2. Farmers or farm laborers	102	3	39
3. Students	227	5	103
4. Sales persons	25	3	12
5. Commercial drivers	72	4	31
6. Military personnel	30	1	11
7. Housewives & domestic servants	134	4	46
8. Retired & pensioners	73	2	27
9. All other workers	482	20	204
Total	1304	45	534

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Received classroom training in school	6		4
3. Received behind the wheel training	2		1
4. Received both classes of training	279	8	120
5. No driver training	789	37	352
Total	1078	45	477

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. HBD—obviously drunk	5		4
3. HBD—ability impaired	5		5
4. HBD—ability not impaired			
5. HBD—not known if impaired	2		1
6. Had not been drinking	1064	45	467
7. Not known if drinking			
Total	1078	45	477

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	6		1
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	11	1	5
4. Loose material on surface	52		31
5. Under construction or repair	12	1	7
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	17	2	7
7. Other			
8. No defects	681	31	307
Total	779	35	358

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2	1	
2. Equipped with in use	243	6	84
3. Equipped with not in use	687	21	258
4. Not equipped with	372	17	192
Total	1304	45	534
1. Not stated	222		55
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.		16	198
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	132	3	60
4. SB did not or could not have helped	652	26	221
Total	1304	45	534

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	428		226
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	351	35	132
3. Not stated			
Total	779	35	358
1. Not stated	75	1	30
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	35	7	18
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	162	6	93
5. No speed violation	827	32	340
Total	1099	46	481
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents	14		10

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For AUGUST 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons					Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured				
							Total	a	b	c	
Motor Vehicle											a. Bleeding, wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene. b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement. c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.
1. Ran off road		473	21	242	210	24	349	142	133	74	
2. Overturned on road		2		2			2	1		1	
3. Pedestrian		8	2	6		2	6	4	2		
4. Motor vehicle on traffic		329	9	125	195	15	257	86	89	82	
5. Parked motor vehicle		19	1	4	14	1	8	6		2	
6. Railroad train		2			2						
7. Bicyclist		3	1	2		1	4	1	2	1	
8. Animal		88		11	77		13	1	3	9	
9. Fixed object		9			9						
10. Other object											
11. Other non-collision		15	1	5	9	1	5	4	1		
12.											
Totals		948	35	397	516	44	644	245	230	169	

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	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Motor Vehicle										
1. Ran off road	403	22	298	2962	95	2031	2758	73	1819	+ 30
2. Overturned on road	5	2	7	36		27	22	3	20	-100
3. Pedestrian	6	3	3	45	12	43	37	11	35	+ 9
4. Motor vehicle on traffic	300	16	209	2520	65	1548	1950	92	1163	-30
5. Parked motor vehicle	17		1	222	3	67	148		26	+ INF
6. Railroad train	2		2	34	12	9	22	6	21	+100
7. Bicyclist	1		2	21	4	19	16	2	16	+100
8. Animal	42		11	513	47	242	47		38	NG
9. Fixed object	9	3	6	243	14	63	103	19	31	-26
10. Other object				5						NG
11. Other non-collision	8		8	58	2	16	37	1	27	+100
12.										%
Totals	793	46	547	6659	207	3870	5335	207	3196	NG

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	207	207	NC
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
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4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal Accidents	170	157	+8.9
6.			

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	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more people and all areas classified as urban by special rules followed in 1940 as used in 1960.												
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban												
1. Controlled access highway	81	6	41	34								
2. State routes	512	19	204	289								
3. County routes	355	10	152	193								
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural												
Total urban and rural	948	35	397	516								

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon																		
6. Midnight	46		6		3		6		7		7		7		10			
1. 1:00	37	2	6		3		2		2		6		4		14	2		
2. 2:00	34	2	6		3		2		2		7		4	1	10	1		
3. 3:00	46	1	6		2		3		5	1	2		9		19			
4. 4:00	32	3	6		1		4		3	1	1		6	1	11	1		
5. 5:00	17	1	1		1		4		4		2		6	1	3			
6. 6:00	12		1		1		1		1		1		3		4			
7. 7:00	15		1		2		1		4		2		1		4			
8. 8:00	19		6		2		1		2		4		1		3			
9. 9:00	31	2	4		8	1	3		5	1	2		6		3			
10. 10:00	20	1	5		5		3		3				2		2	1		
11. 11:00	28		7		6		4		2		4		1		4			
12. Noon	56	2	10		10	1	6		6	1	10		8		6			
13. 1:00	37	3	4		3		6		5	2	3		7		9	1		
14. 2:00	40	1	5		7		4		5		6	1	8		5			
15. 3:00	48	1	10		4		7		5	1	7		9		6			
16. 4:00	50	2	7	1	11	1	1		6		5		11		9			
17. 5:00	66	1	10		10	1	13		7		11		5		10			
18. 6:00	64	3	11	2	9		9	1	12		6		5		12			
19. 7:00	50	1	8	1	7		4		5		11		4		11			
20. 8:00	41	3	3		6		3		4		8	1	4		13	2		
21. 9:00	52		1		14		8		7		7		4		11			
22. 10:00	57	1	9		9	1	7		8		10		7		7			
23. 11:00	49	4	8		8		8		5	3	9		5	1	6			
24. Not stated	1	1	1	1														
Totals	948	35	142	5	135	5	106	1	115	10	131	2	127	4	192	8		
After Noon																		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed																			
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists				Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
0 to 4											9	4	5	1		1				
5 to 9	2	1	1								19	10	9							
10 to 14	3	3								1	24	15	9							
15 to 19	5	3	2	1			1				172	115	57	1						
20 to 24	14	7	7	1			1				139	95	44			1				
25 to 34	10	9	1								87	63	24							
35 to 44	2	1	1								58	36	22	2		2				
45 to 54	3	2	1								53	35	18							
55 to 64	3	3									39	24	15	1			1			
65 to 74											32	15	17							
75 & older	2	1	1								12	9	3	1		1				
Not stated																				
Totals	44	30	14	2			2	1	1		644	421	223	6		3	3	2		2

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering or angle	57	2	19	36
2a. From same direction - both going straight	4		1	3
b. Same - one turn, one straight	71	1	29	41
c. Same - one stopped	23		8	15
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	1		1	
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	14		6	8
c. Same - all others				
d. Not stated				
Totals	170	3	63	104

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	59	5	24	30
2. Going same direction - both moving	66	1	23	42
3a. One car parked	19	1	4	14
b. One car stopped in traffic	24		12	12
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	9		3	6
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	1			1
6. All others	5	1	1	3
7. Not stated				
Totals	183	8	67	108

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	9	2		2	7	1	6
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left							
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	9	2		2	7	1	6

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Collision with non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	1			1
2. Fixed object in road				
3. Overturned in road	1		1	
4. Left road	28		14	14
5. Collision with non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	4	1	1	2
6. Fixed object in road	8			8
7. Overturned in road	1		1	
8. At curve	198	11	97	90
9. Straight road	248	10	131	107
10. Fall from moving vehicle	4		4	
11. All others	93		11	82
12. Not stated				
Totals	586	22	260	304

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed										Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 & Older	Not Stated	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54
1. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection												1								
2a. Same - not at intersection	3											9	1	1	2	2	1	1		
b. Same - against traffic																				
3. Straying on roadway												1								
4. Getting on or off other vehicle																				
5. Pushing or walking on vehicle or roadway																				
6. Other walking on roadway																				
7. Playing on roadway																				
8. Other on roadway																				
9. Not on roadway																				
10. Not stated																				
Totals	3											11	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	1

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	32	1	14
2. 16	47	2	26
3. 17	49		18
4. 18 to 19	132	1	67
5. 20 to 24	264	9	114
6. 25 to 34	259	19	98
7. 35 to 44	180	4	74
8. 45 to 54	153	4	56
9. 55 to 64	103	3	35
10. 65 to 74	59		22
11. 75 & older	26	2	10
12. Not stated			
Totals	1304	45	534

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1030	37	425
2. Female	273	8	109
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	1304	45	534

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local residence	754	23	290
2. Residing elsewhere in state	253	10	128
3. Nonresident - best of state	297	12	116
4. Not stated			
Totals	1304	45	534

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	969	31	381
2. Passenger car and trailer	11		3
3. Truck or truck tractor	258	8	106
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	37	2	15
5. Other truck combination	6		2
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	3	1	
7. Tractor			
8. Bus	4	1	
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	34	2	29
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Other and not stated	8	1	2
Totals	1330	46	538

Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	8	1	2

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	892	33	
2. Wet	52	1	375
3. Snowy or icy			20
4. Other	4	1	
5. Not stated			
Totals	948	35	397

14 KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Shoulder	904	34	386
2. Not shoulder	44	1	11
Totals	948	35	397

15 LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	571	22	235
2. Dawn or dusk	55		14
3. Darkness	322	13	148
4. Not stated			
Totals	948	35	397

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	217		120
2. Failed to yield right of way	45		15
3. Drove left of center	22		18
4. Improper overtaking	15		7
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	7		2
7. Followed too closely	26		13
8. Made improper turn	9		1
9. Other improper driving	7		4
10. Inadequate brakes	5		2
11. Improper lights	1		1
12. Had been drinking	25		14
Totals	389		197

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF STATEWIDE

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	10		3
2. Clear	1109	25	430
3. Raining	147	3	61
4. Snowing	16		5
5. Fog	4		2
6. Other	104	2	40
Total	1390	30	541

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	13		3
2. Straight road—level	892	12	336
3. Straight road—hillycrest	37	1	14
4. Straight road—on grade	190	3	68
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	129	6	60
7. Curve—hillycrest	7		2
8. Curve—on grade	122	8	58
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	1390	30	541

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	207	3	80
2. Farmers or farm laborers	98		38
3. Students	422	4	147
4. Sales persons	51		20
5. Commercial drivers	103	5	41
6. Military personnel	38		14
7. Housewives & domestic servants	201	1	79
8. Retired & pensioners	134	4	48
9. All other workers	842	24	346
Total	2096	41	813

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	234		92
2. Received classroom training in school	2		
3. Received behind the wheel training	9		5
4. Received both classes of training	352	2	139
5. No driver training	922	39	407
Total	1519	41	643

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	48		18
2. HBD—obviously drunk	42	9	16
3. HBD—ability impaired	40	1	22
4. HBD—ability not impaired	36	1	17
5. HBD—not known if impaired	119	4	73
6. Had not been drinking	1103	18	441
7. Not known if drinking	131	8	56
Total	1519	41	643

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	10		6
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	11		6
4. Loose material on surface	49	1	26
5. Under construction or repair	10		6
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	14	1	5
7. Other			
8. No defects	921	28	394
Total	1015	30	443

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	251		98
2. Equipped with in use	320	2	92
3. Equipped with not in use	1012	20	380
4. Not equipped with	513	19	243
Total	2096	41	813
1. Not stated	1086		359
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	289	18	187
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	127		51
4. SB did not or could not have helped	594	23	216
Total	2096	41	813

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	693	7	310
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	322	23	133
3. Not stated			
Total	1015	30	443
1. Not stated	379	3	138
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	50	4	26
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	4		
4. Exceeding legal speed limit	132	6	72
5. No speed violation	1038	30	428
Total	1603	43	664
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	25		10
2. Hit & run accidents			



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For SEPTEMBER 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	423	14	215	194	17	316	130	110	76
2. Overturned on road	8		3	5		5		4	1
3. Pedestrian	28	3	24	1	3	31	19	8	4
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	658	11	245	402	14	416	95	138	183
5. Parked motor vehicle	108	1	21	86	1	24	11	7	6
6. Railroad train	7	1	2	4	1	2	2		
7. Bicyclist	10		10			13	4	7	2
8. Animal	92		5	87		7	3	1	3
9. Fixed object	43		15	28		19	9	4	6
10. Other object	1			1					
11. Other non-collision	12		1	11		1	1		
12.									
Totals	1390	30	541	819	36	834	274	279	281

SUMMARY OF STATEWIDE ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of \$ 250 or more.

\$ 250 or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available to the public.

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RECORDS & STATISTICAL SECTION
MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS		Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Comparative Death Record
		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Collapse of Motor vehicle with:	1. Ran off road	375	15	273	3617	113	2443	3259	88	2148	+28.4%
	2. Overturned on road	5		3	63		51	40	3	36	+100%
	3. Pedestrian	8	1	7	157	22	154	101	15	102	+46.7%
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	644	7	267	7370	82	3408	5844	102	2449	+19.7%
	5. Parked motor vehicle	92		12	1106	4	242	813	2	156	+100%
	6. Railroad train	1			47	14	16	32	7	24	+100%
	7. Bicyclist	7		7	90	4	96	68	2	70	+100%
	8. Animal	53		5	605		54	301		45	NC
	9. Fixed object	33	2	21	523	15	171	409	26	143	-42.3%
	10. Other object	1		1	9		1	4		1	NC
	11. Other non-collision	4	1	1	75	2	21	48	3	32	-33.3%
	12.							1		1	%
Totals		1223	26	597	13662	256	6657	10920	248	5207	+3.2%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	256	248	+3.2%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	3646	3491	+4.4%
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	7.0	7.1	-1.4%
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	5.8	5.5	+5.5%
5. Fatal Accidents	213	193	+10.4%
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpikes, parkways, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	120	1	51	68	1	84						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	121		55	66		73						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	78		25	53		32						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	231		77	154		99						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	550	1	208	341	1	288						
1. Controlled access highway	69	3	22	44	3	45						
2. State routes	484	18	191	275	24	308						
3. County routes	287	8	120	159	8	193						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	840	29	333	478	35	546						
Total urban and rural	1390	30	541	819	36	834						

5. TIME		Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
Hour beginning		All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon	6. Midnight	46		5		2		4		6		9		12		8			
	1. 1:00	53	2	3		4		10		5		9		11		11	2		
	2. 2:00	48	1	5		3		5	1	6		4		16		9			
	3. 3:00	49	1	6				5		2		5		20		11	1		
	4. 4:00	31	1	3		1		3		5	1	4		5		10			
	5. 5:00	15		1		1		3				1		2		7			
	6. 6:00	12				2	1	1		2		1		3		3			
	7. 7:00	24	2	2		5	1	4	1	2		4		5		2			
	8. 8:00	30	2	10		5		2		6	1	5				2			
	9. 9:00	44	1	9	1	5		7		7		7		7		2			
	10. 10:00	53		12		6		6		7		4		15		3			
	11. 11:00	55	1	6		8		7		6		7	1	14		7			
After Noon	12. Noon	63		5		7	1	10		13		9		14		5			
	13. 1:00	62	4	8		11		4		11		10		10	1	8	2		
	14. 2:00	52		6		2		9		4		10		13		8			
	15. 3:00	69		9		11		13		10		8		12		6			
	16. 4:00	82	3	20		9		8		13		13	1	12	2	7			
	17. 5:00	121	1	10		24		14		27	1	22		14		10			
	18. 6:00	94	4	15	1	9		16	1	10		13		19	1	12	1		
	19. 7:00	71	1	11	1	8		7		14		12		6		13			
	20. 8:00	72	2	8		8		10		8		11		14	2	13			
	21. 9:00	83	2	6		10		10		14	2	15		11		17			
	22. 10:00	88		7		7	1	14		18		19		12		11			
	23. 11:00	73	2	7		6		15		10	1	15		13		7			
24. Not stated																			
Totals		1390	30	174	3	154	4	187	3	206	6	217	2	260	6	192	6		

AGE OF CASUALTY	Pedestrians						Bicyclists						Total Injured						Total Injured					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4													20	11	9	4	3	1						3
2. 5 to 9	2	2		1	1					30	18	12	13	10	3	5	2							2
3. 10 to 14										27	13	14	4	2	2	3	1							
4. 15 to 19	5	5								219	145	74	5	4	1	3	3							
5. 20 to 24	8	6	2							145	90	55												
6. 25 to 34	2	2								126	83	43												
7. 35 to 44	5	5								85	48	37	1		1									
8. 45 to 54	5	5								60	35	25	1		1									
9. 55 to 64	3	1	2	1		1				61	34	27												
10. 65 to 74	5	4	1							39	26	13												
11. 75 & older	1	1		1	1					15	8	7	1			1								
12. Not stated										7	4	3												
Totals	36	31	5	3	2	1				834	515	319	29	20	9	11	6							5

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	228	1	85	142
2a. From same direction - both going straight	8		3	5
b. Same - one turn, one straight	71	2	23	46
c. Same - one stopped	68		36	32
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	4		1	3
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	53	1	23	29
c. Same - all others	5		1	4
4. Not stated				
Totals	437	4	172	261

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	63	5	23	35
2. Going same direction - both moving	73	1	28	44
3a. One car parked	108	1	21	86
b. One car stopped in traffic	48	1	18	29
4a. One car entering parked position	1			
b. One car leaving parked position	19		2	17
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	7		1	6
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	10		1	9
6. All others	4			4
7. Not stated				
Totals	333	8	94	231

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	27	2	1	1	25	5	20
2. Car turning right	1				1	1	
3. Car turning left	2				2	2	
4. Car backing	1				1		1
5. All others	1	1		1			
6. Not stated							
Totals	32	3	1	2	29	8	21

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Collision with: a. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. b. Fixed object in road	2 8		2 5	
2. Overturned in road	3		1	2
3. Left road	56		29	27
4. Collision with: a. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. b. Fixed object in road	10 35	1	5 10	4 25
5. Overturned in road	6		2	4
6. Left road	161	9	85	67
7. At curve	206	5	101	100
8. Straight road	1		1	
9. Fall from moving vehicle	100		5	95
10. All others				
11. Not stated				
Totals	588	15	246	327

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection	1	9	1	4		1		1	1		
b. Same - not at intersection		20	3	7	3	6					
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic	1	4			3					1	
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway		1				1					
7. Playing in roadway		2									
8. Other in roadway		3		2	1						
9. Not in roadway	1	4		4							
10. Not stated											
Totals	3	43	4	19	7	8		1	2	2	

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger			
2. 16	83	1	29
3. 17	78		27
4. 18 to 19	107		46
5. 20 to 24	232	5	85
6. 25 to 34	389	8	153
7. 35 to 44	373	6	151
8. 45 to 54	274	5	109
9. 55 to 64	231	7	78
10. 65 to 74	181	3	81
11. 75 & older	100	5	33
12. Not stated	48	1	21
Totals	2096	41	813

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1555	34	596
2. Female	540	7	217
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	2096	41	813

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	1492	20	598
2. Residing elsewhere in state	385	15	137
3. Non-resident of state	217	6	76
4. Not stated	2		2
Totals	2096	41	813

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1706	24	633
2. Passenger car and trailer	13	1	1
3. Truck or truck tractor	380	10	141
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	52	2	19
5. Other truck combination	12		2
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	3		1
7. Taxis	2		2
8. Bus	8	2	2
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	43	4	36
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	8		3
Totals	2227	43	840

Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)	2		
14. Military vehicles			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	11	3	3

13 ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	1171	27	454
2. Wet	181	3	71
3. Snow or ice	15		5
4. Other	13		8
5. Not stated	10		3
Totals	1390	30	541

14 KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Build-up	618	3	230
2. Not build-up	772	27	311
3. Not stated			
Totals	1390	30	541

15 LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	809	18	326
2. Dawn or dusk	75	1	27
3. Darkness	497	11	185
4. Not stated	9		3
Totals	1390	30	541

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11 CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	307	4	159
2. Failed to yield right of way	134		46
3. Drove left of center	27	1	11
4. Improper overtaking	17		7
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	39		17
7. Followed too closely	33		12
8. Made improper turn	17		4
9. Other improper driving	20		5
10. Inadequate brakes	7		2
11. Improper lights	2		
12. Had been drinking	39	2	16
Totals	642	7	279

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF URBAN

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD SEPTEMBER

1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	10		3
2. Clear	447		174
3. Raining	63	1	22
4. Snowing	3		
5. Fog	1		
6. Other	26		9
Total	550	1	208

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	12		3
2. Straight road—level	453	1	176
3. Straight road—hillcrest	11		6
4. Straight road—on grade	52		15
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	17		7
7. Curve—hillcrest			
8. Curve—on grade	5		1
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	550	1	208

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	82		40
2. Farmers or farm laborers	18		6
3. Students	226		77
4. Sales persons	32		16
5. Commercial drivers	28		10
6. Military personnel	16		6
7. Housewives & domestic servants	98		43
8. Retired & pensioners	59		21
9. All other workers	406	1	149
Total	965	1	368

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	232		92
2. Received classroom training in school			
3. Received behind the wheel training	7		3
4. Received both classes of training	140	1	43
5. No driver training	228		93
Total	607	1	231

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	46		18
2. HBD—obviously drunk	11		2
3. HBD—ability impaired	9		4
4. HBD—ability not impaired	11	1	4
5. HBD—not known if impaired	37		21
6. Had not been drinking	458		169
7. Not known if drinking	35		13
Total	607	1	231

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders			
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps			
4. Loose material on surface	4		1
5. Under construction or repair			
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other			
8. No defects	341	1	132
Total	345	1	133

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	251		98
2. Equipped with in use	115		33
3. Equipped with not in use	435		157
4. Not equipped with	164	1	80
Total	965	1	368
1. Not stated	867		326
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.			
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	7		6
4. SB did not or could not have helped	1		
Total	90	1	36
Total	965	1	368

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	296		105
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	49	1	28
3. Not stated			
Total	345	1	133
1. Not stated	324		118
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	24		12
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	1		
5. No speed violation			
Total	325	1	120
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	675	1	250
2. Hit & run accidents	8		2

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA

(State)

For SEPTEMBER

1971

(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons			
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured		
						Total	a	b
Motor Vehicle								
1. Run off road	13		6	7		11	6	2
2. Overturned on road	5		1	4		1	1	1
3. Pedestrian	18	1	17		1	18	8	6
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	385		143	242		209	32	68
5. Parkeed motor vehicle	89		20	69		23	10	7
6. Railroad train	1			1				
7. Bicyclist	7		7			8	3	4
8. Animal								
9. Fixed object	30		13	17		17	9	3
10. Other object	1			1		1	1	
11. Other non-collision	1		1					
12.								
Totals	550	1	208	341	1	288	69	91

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2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS		Some Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Some Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
On cause of motor vehicle or with	1. Ran off road	3			245	1	107	129		56	+Inf.
	2. Overturned on road	3		3	24		20	16		16	NC
	3. Pedestrian	6		6	102	8	98	62	3	66	+166.7%
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	404		110	4577	3	1653	3654	3	1129	NC
	5. Parked motor vehicle	73		8	865		174	646	2	126	-100%
	6. Railroad train				7	1	5	9	1	3	NC
	7. Bicyclist	5		5	66		72	50		52	NC
	8. Animal							6		2	NC
	9. Fixed object	25		17	267	1	106	298	5	108	-80%
	10. Other object	1		1	4		2	4		1	NC
	11. Other non-collision	1		1	6		4	8	1	5	-100%
	12.							1		1	%
Totals		521		151	6163	14	2241	4883	15	1565	-6.7%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	14	15	-6.7%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal Accidents	14	15	-6.7%
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.								B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, highway authorities and commissions, etc.							
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				Number of Accidents				Number of Persons			
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage
1. 2,500 to 10,000	120	1	51	68	1	84										
2. 10,000 to 25,000	121		55	66		73										
3. 25,000 to 50,000	78		25	53		32										
4. 50,000 to 100,000	231		77	154		99										
5. 100,000 to 250,000																
6. 250,000 or more																
7.																
8.																
Total urban	550	1	208	341	1	288										
1. Controlled access highway																
2. State routes																
3. County routes																
4. Other																
5. Not stated																
Total rural																
Total urban and rural																

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
6. Midnight	16		2		1		2		2		5		3		1			
1. 1:00	17				2		2		1		5		2		5			
2. 2:00	22		1		2				2		2		12		3			
3. 3:00	19		3				1		2				8		5			
4. 4:00	5						1		2						2			
5. 5:00	5						2				1		1		1			
6. 6:00	1												1					
7. 7:00	7				2		1				1		3					
8. 8:00	12		3		1		1		3		2				2			
9. 9:00	24		2		4		2		6		5		4		1			
10. 10:00	19		5				4		2		1		7					
11. 11:00	19		2		4		4				2		6		1			
12. Noon	27		3		3		7		6		2		5		1			
13. 1:00	28		3		4		1		6		5		6		3			
14. 2:00	29		3		2		5		3		5		7		4			
15. 3:00	33		2		5		5		6		4		7		4			
16. 4:00	42		9		6		6		9		7		2		3			
17. 5:00	60		4		11		8		15		11		6		5			
18. 6:00	41		7		7		10		2		6		5		4			
19. 7:00	33		6		4		4		7		5		1		6			
20. 8:00	27		4		4		5		2		4		4		4			
21. 9:00	22	1	2		5		6		6	1	4		3		2			
22. 10:00	21		1		4				5		6		4		1			
23. 11:00	21		4		3		1		2		4		4		3			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	550	1	66		74		72		89	1	87		101		61			

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										14	7	7	2	1	1			
2. 5 to 9										20	12	8	9	6	3	3	1	2
3. 10 to 14										12	3	9	3	1	2	3	1	2
4. 15 to 19										71	45	26	2	1	1	2		
5. 20 to 24										43	20	23						
6. 25 to 34										31	14	17						
7. 35 to 44										29	9	20	1		1			
8. 45 to 54										24	12	12						
9. 55 to 64	1		1	1		1				22	14	8						
10. 65 to 74										8	5	3						
11. 75 & older										7	3	4	1		1			
12. Not stated										7	4	3						
Totals	1		1	1		1				288	148	140	18	9	9	8	4	4

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Facing at angle	173		64	109
2a. From same direction - both going straight	3		1	2
b. Same - one turn, one straight	23		5	18
c. Same - one stopped	55		28	27
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight				
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	35		15	20
c. Same - all others	4		1	3
4. Not stated				
Totals	293		114	179

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	13		5	8
2. Going same direction - both moving	20		8	12
3a. One car parked	89		20	69
b. One car stopped or traffic	31		13	18
4a. One car entering parked position	1		1	
b. One car leaving parked position	11		1	10
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	7		1	6
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	9		1	8
6. All others	1		1	
7. Not stated				
Totals	182		49	133

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight	18	1	1	17
2. Car turning right	1		1	1
3. Car turning left	1		1	1
4. Car backing	1		1	1
5. All others				
6. Not stated				
Totals	21	1	1	20

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	2		2	
2. Fixed object in road	7		4	3
3. Overturned in road	2		1	1
4. Left road	4		2	2
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	3		2	1
6. Fixed object in road	23		9	14
7. Overturned in road	3		3	3
8. At curve	3		2	1
9. Straight road	6		2	4
10. Fall from moving vehicle	1		1	
11. All others				
12. Not stated				
Totals	54		25	29

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection	1	7		3		1		1		1	
b. Same - not at intersection		12	2	5	2	3					
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic		3			3						
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Strolling on roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway		2		2							
8. Other on roadway		2		1	1						
9. Not in roadway		1		1							
10. Not stated											
Totals	1	27	2	12	6	4		1	1	1	

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger			
2. 16	53		17
3. 17	43		13
4. 18 to 19	57		22
5. 20 to 24	123	1	44
6. 25 to 34	168		63
7. 35 to 44	161		61
8. 45 to 54	117		54
9. 55 to 64	103		32
10. 65 to 74	79		39
11. 75 & older	39		14
12. Not stated	22		9
Totals	965	1	368

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	657	1	245
2. Female	307		123
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	965	1	368

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local residents	825	1	317
2. Residing elsewhere in state	108		40
3. Non-resident of state	31		10
4. Not stated	1		1
Totals	965	1	368

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	913	1	320
2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. Truck or truck tractor	133		55
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	3		
5. Other truck combination	1		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Tractor	2		2
8. Bus			
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	18		15
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	3		1
Totals	1073	1	393

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	461		180
2. Wet	78	1	25
3. Snowy or icy	1		
4. Other			
5. Not stated	10		3
Totals	550	1	208

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Building	549	1	208
2. Not built-up	1		
3. Not stated			
Totals	550	1	208

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	376		147
2. Dawn or dusk	20		8
3. Darkness	145	1	50
4. Not stated	9		3
Totals	550	1	208

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	109		42
2. Failed to yield right of way	88		30
3. Drove left of center	2		1
4. Improper overtaking	1		
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	33		14
7. Followed too closely	20		6
8. Made improper turn	11		2
9. Other improper driving	6		2
10. Inadequate brakes	1		
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	12		3
Totals	283		100

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SUMMARY REPORT OF

ACCIDENTS

RURAL

PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	662	25	256
3. Raining	84	2	39
4. Snowing	13		5
5. Fog	3		2
6. Other	78	2	31
Total	840	29	333

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	1		
2. Straight road—level	439	11	160
3. Straight road—hillycrest	26	1	8
4. Straight road—on grade	138	3	53
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	112	6	53
7. Curve—hillycrest	7		2
8. Curve—on grade	117	8	57
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	840	29	333

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	125	3	40
2. Farmers or farm laborers	80		32
3. Students	196	4	70
4. Sales persons	19		4
5. Commercial drivers	75	5	31
6. Military personnel	22		8
7. Housewives & domestic servants	103	1	36
8. Retired & pensioners	75	4	27
9. All other workers	436	23	197
Total	1131	40	445

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Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Received classroom training in school	2		
3. Received behind the wheel training	2		2
4. Received both classes of training	212	1	96
5. No driver training	694	39	314
Total	912	40	412

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. HBD—obviously drunk	31	9	14
3. HBD—ability impaired	31	1	18
4. HBD—ability not impaired	25		13
5. HBD—not known if impaired	82	4	52
6. Had not been drinking	645	18	272
7. Not known if drinking	96	8	43
Total	912	40	412

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1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	10		6
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	11		6
4. Loose material on surface	45	1	25
5. Under construction or repair	10		6
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	14	1	5
7. Other			
8. No defects	580	27	262
Total	670	29	310

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1. Not stated			
2. Equipped with in use	205	2	59
3. Equipped with not in use	577	20	223
4. Not equipped with	349	18	163
Total	1131	40	445
1. Not stated	219		33
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	282	18	181
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Total	504	22	180
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1. Accidents involving a HMV	397	7	205
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	273	22	105
3. Not stated			
Total	670	29	310
1. Not stated	55	3	20
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	26	4	14
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	3		
4. Exceeding legal speed limit			
5. No speed violation	131	6	72
Total	713	29	308
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	928	42	414
2. Hit & run accidents	17		8



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In MONTANA

(State)

For SEPTEMBER

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1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle:									
1. Ran off road	410	14	209	187	17	305	124	108	73
2. Overturned on road	3		2	1		4		3	1
3. Pedestrian	10	2	7	1	2	13	11	2	
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	273	11	102	160	14	207	63	70	74
5. Parked motor vehicle	19	1	1	17	1	1	1		
6. Railroad train	6	1	2	3	1	2	2		
7. Bicyclist	3		3			5	1	3	1
8. Animal	92		5	87		7	3	1	3
9. Fixed object	13		2	11		2		1	1
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	11			11					
12.									
Totals	840	29	333	478	35	546	205	188	153

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1. Ran off road	372	15	273	3372	112	2336	3130	88	2092	+27
2. Overturned on road	2			39		31	24	3	20	-100
3. Pedestrian	2	1	1	55	14	56	39	12	36	+16.7
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	240	7	157	2793	79	1755	2190	99	1320	-20.2
5. Parked motor vehicle	19		4	241	4	68	167		30	+INF
6. Railroad train	1			40	13	11	23	6	21	+116.7
7. Bicyclist	2		2	24	4	24	18	2	18	+100
8. Animal	53		5	605		54	295		43	NC
9. Fixed object	8	2	4	256	14	65	111	21	35	-33.3
10. Other object				5						NC
11. Other non-collision	3	1		69	2	16	40	2	27	NC
12.										
Totals	702	26	446	7499	242	4416	6037	233	3642	+3.9

Collision of motor vehicle with:

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	242	233	+3.9
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
5. FATAL Accidents	199	178	+11.8
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more people and all areas classified as urban by Dept. of Transportation, U.S. Census Bureau.	1. 2,500 to 10,000											
	2. 10,000 to 25,000											
	3. 25,000 to 50,000											
	4. 50,000 to 100,000											
	5. 100,000 to 250,000											
	6. 250,000 or more											
	7.											
	8.											
	Total urban											
RURAL: All locations other than those above.	1. Controlled access highway	69	3	22	44	3	45					
	2. State routes	484	18	191	275	24	308					
	3. County routes	287	8	120	159	8	193					
	4. Other											
	5. Not stated											
	Total rural	840	29	333	478	35	546					
	Total urban and rural											

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Hour beginning																		
0. Midnight	30		3		1		2		4		4		9		7			
1. 1:00	36	2	3		2		8		4		4		9		6	2		
2. 2:00	26	1	4		1		5	1	4		2		4		6			
3. 3:00	30	1	3		4		4		4		5		12		6	1		
4. 4:00	26	1	3		1		2		3	1	4		5		8			
5. 5:00	10		1		1		1						1		6			
6. 6:00	11		2		2		1		2		1		2		3			
7. 7:00	17	2	2		3	1	3	1	2		3		2		2			
8. 8:00	18	2	7		4	1	1		3	1	3							
9. 9:00	20	1	7	1	1		5		1		2		3		1			
10. 10:00	34		7		6		2		5		3		8		3			
11. 11:00	36	1	4		4		3		6		5	1	8		6			
12. Noon	36		2		4		3		7		7		9		4			
13. 1:00	34	4	5		7	1	3		5		5		4	1	5	2		
14. 2:00	23		3				4		1		5		6		4			
15. 3:00	36		7		6		8		4		4		5		2			
16. 4:00	40	3	11		3		2		4		6	1	10	2	4			
17. 5:00	61	1	6		13		6		12	1	11		8		5			
18. 6:00	53	4	8	1	2		6	1	8		7		14	1	8	1		
19. 7:00	38	1	5	1	4		3		7		7		5		7			
20. 8:00	45	2	4		4		5		6		7		10	2	9			
21. 9:00	61	1	4		5		10		8	1	11		8		15			
22. 10:00	67		6		3		14		13		13		8		10			
23. 11:00	52	2	3		3	1	14		8	1	11		9		4			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	840	29	108	3	80	4	115	3	117	5	130	2	159	6	131	6		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
0 to 4										6	4	2	2	2				
5 to 9	2	2		1	1					10	6	4	4	4		2	1	1
10 to 14										15	10	5	1	1				
15 to 19	5	5								148	100	48	3	3		1	1	
20 to 24	8	6	2							102	70	32						
25 to 34	2	2								95	69	26						
35 to 44	5	5								56	39	17						
45 to 54	5	5								36	23	13	1	1				
55 to 64	2	1	1							39	20	19						
65 to 74	5	4	1							31	21	10						
75 & older	1	1		1	1					8	5	3						
12. Not stated																		
Totals	35	31	4	2	2					546	367	179	11	11		3	2	1

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Following at angle	55	1	21	33
2a. From same direction - both going straight	5		2	3
b. Same - one turn, one straight	48	2	18	28
c. Same - one stopped	13		8	5
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	4		1	3
b. Same - one turn, one straight	18	1	8	9
c. Same - all others	1		1	1
4. Not stated				
Totals	144	4	58	82

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	50	5	18	27
2. Going same direction - both moving	53	1	20	32
3a. One car parked	19	1	1	17
b. One car stopped in traffic	17	1	5	11
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	8		1	7
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	1			1
6. All others	3			3
7. Not stated				
Totals	151	8	45	98

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	9	1		1	8	1	7
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left	1				1	1	
4. Car backing							
5. All others	1	1		1			
6. Not stated							
Totals	11	2		2	9	2	7

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Collision with: a. Non-motor vehicle (train, bicycle, etc.) b. Fixed object in road	1		1	1
2. Overturned in road	1			1
3. Left road	52		27	25
4. Collision with: a. Non-motor vehicle (train, bicycle, etc.) b. Fixed object in road	7	1	3	3
5. Overturned in road	12		1	11
6. Left road	3		2	1
7. Collision with: a. Non-motor vehicle (train, bicycle, etc.) b. Fixed object in road	158	9	83	66
8. Overturned in road	200	5	99	96
9. Left road				
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others	100		5	95
12. Not stated				
Totals	534	15	221	298

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection		2	1	1							
b. Same - not at intersection		8	1	2	1	3					
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic	1	1							1		
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway		1					1				
7. Playing in roadway											
8. Other in roadway		1		1							
9. Not in roadway	1	3		3							
10. Not stated											
Totals	2	16	2	7	1	4			1	1	

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	30	1	12
2. 16	35		14
3. 17	50		24
4. 18 to 19	109	4	41
5. 20 to 24	221	8	90
6. 25 to 34	212	6	90
7. 35 to 44	157	5	55
8. 45 to 54	128	7	46
9. 55 to 64	102	3	42
10. 65 to 74	61	5	19
11. 75 & older	26	1	12
12. Not stated			
Totals	1131	40	445

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	793	23	313
2. Passenger car and trailer	13	1	1
3. Truck or truck tractor	247	10	86
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	49	2	19
5. Other truck combination	11		2
6. Farm tractor and/or farm vehicle	3		1
7. Trolley			
8. Bus	8	2	2
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	25	4	21
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	5		2
Totals	1154	42	447

Special vehicles included above

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	710	27	274
2. Wet	103	2	46
3. Snowy or icy	14		5
4. Other	13		8
5. Not stated			
Totals	840	29	333

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Stop sign	69	2	22
2. Not built up	771	27	311
3. Not stated			
Totals	840	29	333

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	433	18	179
2. Dawn or dusk	55	1	19
3. Darkness	352	10	135
4. Not stated			
Totals	840	29	333

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	198	4	117
2. Failed to yield right of way	46		16
3. Drove left of center	25	1	10
4. Improper overtaking	16		7
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	6		3
7. Followed too closely	13		6
8. Made improper turn	6		2
9. Other improper driving	14		3
10. Inadequate brakes	6		2
11. Improper lights	2		
12. Had been drinking	27	2	13
Totals	359	7	179

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	898	33	351
2. Female	233	7	94
3. Not stated			
Totals	1131	40	445

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	667	19	281
2. Residing elsewhere in state	277	15	97
3. Non-resident of state	186	6	66
4. Not stated	1		1
Totals	1131	40	445

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF STATEWIDE

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD OCTOBER

-- 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	8		2
2. Clear	1138	26	441
3. Raining	98	1	33
4. Snowing	198	2	52
5. Fog	12		2
6. Other	81	1	33
Total	1535	30	563

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	10		2
2. Straight road—level	977	16	335
3. Straight road—hillcrest	53		15
4. Straight road—on grade	226	3	92
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	141	5	61
7. Curve—hillcrest	8		1
8. Curve—on grade	120	6	57
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	1535	30	563

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	248	2	95
2. Farmers or farm laborers	131	5	45
3. Students	496	10	178
4. Sales persons	56		18
5. Commercial drivers	125	4	39
6. Military personnel	55		14
7. Housewives & domestic servants	251	5	102
8. Retired & pensioners	102	2	42
9. All other workers	861	17	309
Total	2325	45	842

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	252		76
2. Received classroom training in school	6	1	1
3. Received behind the wheel training	11	2	3
4. Received both classes of training	411	9	151
5. No driver training	1012	33	443
Total	1692	45	674

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	37		11
2. HBD—obviously drunk	37	6	18
3. HBD—ability impaired	56	2	28
4. HBD—ability not impaired	47	2	22
5. HBD—not known if impaired	126	3	66
6. Had not been drinking	1268	23	472
7. Not known if drinking	121	9	57
Total	1692	45	674

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	14	1	3
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	15	1	6
4. Loose material on surface	40	1	16
5. Under construction or repair	8		4
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	28	1	13
7. Other			
8. No defects	1021	26	419
Total	1126	30	461

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	243		68
2. Equipped with in use	345	1	110
3. Equipped with not in use	1195	28	436
4. Not equipped with	542	16	228
Total	2325	45	842
1. Not stated	1178		339
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	334	31	216
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	143	1	61
4. SB did not or could not have helped	670	13	226
Total	2325	45	842

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	700	4	322
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	426	26	139
3. Not stated			
Total	1126	30	461
1. Not stated	400		121
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	54	3	28
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Not exceeding legal speed limit	181	8	98
5. No speed violation	1149	34	447
Total	1784	45	694
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	12		4
2. Hit & run accidents			

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA

(State)

For OCTOBER

1971

(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	486	11	232	243	15	343	155	113	75
2. Overturned on road	2		2			3	1	1	1
3. Pedestrian	16	4	12		4	13	8	3	2
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	737	14	254	469	16	419	105	138	176
5. Parked motor vehicle	110		20	90		26	12	9	5
6. Railroad train	5		2	3		3	2	1	
7. Bicyclist	7		7			7	2	3	2
8. Animal	102	1	8	93	1	11	2	5	4
9. Fixed object	55		21	34		25	9	10	6
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	15		5	10		10	3	4	3
12.									
Totals	1535	30	563	942	36	860	299	287	274

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding, wound, displaced member, or any condition that required action be taken from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF STATEWIDE ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 250. or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

REPORT PREPARED BY
RECORDS & STATISTICAL SECTION
MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Some Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Some Period Last Year			Change
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	Cumulative Death Record
1. Ran off road	371	13	263	4103	128	2786	3630	101	2411	+26.6%
2. Overturned on road	10		7	65		54	50	3	43	-100%
3. Pedestrian	13		13	173	26	167	114	15	115	+73.3%
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	605	7	279	8107	98	3827	6449	109	2728	-10.1%
5. Parked motor vehicle	103		19	1216	4	268	916	2	175	+100%
6. Railroad train	9	1	7	52	14	19	41	8	31	+75.0%
7. Bicyclist	7		7	27	4	103	75	2	77	+100%
8. Animal	67		11	707	1	65	368		56	+1NF%
9. Fixed object	38	2	20	578	15	196	447	28	163	-46.4%
10. Other object	1			9		1	5		1	NC%
11. Other non-collision	7		2	90	2	31	55	3	34	-33.3%
12. Misc.							1		1	NC%
Totals	1231	23	628	15197	292	7517	12151	271	5835	+7.7%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	292	271	+7.7%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	4246	4006	+6.0%
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicles-miles	6.9	6.6	+4.5%
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicles-miles	5.7	5.3	+13.2%
5. Fatal accidents	243	212	+12.7%
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	138		42	96		53						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	119	1	41	77	1	62						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	91	2	29	60	5	40						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	263	1	82	180	1	114						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	611	4	194	413	7	269						
1. Controlled access highway	101	3	45	53	3	75						
2. State routes	494	14	185	295	15	290						
3. County routes	329	9	139	181	11	226						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	924	26	369	529	29	591						
Total urban and rural	1535	30	563	942	36	860						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
	Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning	
0. Midnight	76	1	1		6		5		8		22		27	1	7			
1. 1:00	49	1	2		1		4		6		11		9		16		1	
2. 2:00	47		4		5		4		3		2		12		17			
3. 3:00	68	3	4		7	1	5		2		13		24		13		2	
4. 4:00	30				1		3		1		3		10		12			
5. 5:00	16	1	1		1				2		2		5		5		1	
6. 6:00	13		1		2				1		1		4		5			
7. 7:00	24	2	9	2	2		4		1		2		3		3			
8. 8:00	55	1	9		10		7	1	3		17		1		8			
9. 9:00	60	1	4		4		19		8		11		8		6		1	
10. 10:00	47		7		3		4		10		7		13		3			
11. 11:00	72		4		3		8		11		17		19		10			
12. Noon	48	1	1		5		12		4		4		12		10		1	
13. 1:00	88	2	13		11		8		12		17		15	1	12		1	
14. 2:00	63		10		8		9		8		14		11		3			
15. 3:00	70	1	8		5		13		6		20	1	12		6			
16. 4:00	97	2	11	1	6		13		14		24		14		15		1	
17. 5:00	112	2	9		13		16		14		27		22	2	11			
18. 6:00	100	2	14		15	1	13		13		19		15	1	11			
19. 7:00	66	2	4		12		6		7		15	1	11		11		1	
20. 8:00	89	4	8	1	7		5		14	1	26	2	15		14			
21. 9:00	114	3	12		18	3	12		7		29		22		14			
22. 10:00	65	1	10	1	3		9		3		19		11		10			
23. 11:00	63		8		3		5		12		14		13		8			
24. Not stated	3		1												2			
Totals	1535	30	155	5	151	5	184	1	169	1	336	4	308	5	232	9		

AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4	1	1		1	1					23	12	11						
2. 5 to 9	1		1							21	11	10	4	1	3	3	3	1
3. 10 to 14	2	1	1	1		1				33	20	13	1		1	2	1	1
4. 15 to 19	6	4	2							206	121	85	3	1	2			
5. 20 to 24	6	5	1	1	1					150	106	44	2	2		1	1	
6. 25 to 34	6	3	3	1		1				127	73	54						
7. 35 to 44	4	2	2							90	59	31						
8. 45 to 54	3	3								81	48	33	1		1			
9. 55 to 64	3	2	1							53	30	23						
10. 65 to 74	3	2	1							48	20	28	2		2			
11. 75 & older	2		2							23	9	14				1	1	
12. Not stated										5	3	2						1
Totals	37	23	14	4	2	2				860	512	348	13	4	9	7	6	1

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Encroaching at angle	270	5	89	176
2a. From same direction - both going straight	12		2	10
b. Same - one turn, one straight	63		17	46
c. Same - one stopped	78		39	39
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	5	1	1	3
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	44	2	17	25
c. Same - all others	4			4
d. Not stated				
Totals	476	8	165	303

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going against the direction - both moving	76	6	26	44
2. Going same direction - both moving	83		30	53
3a. One car parked	110		20	90
b. One car stopped in traffic	55		22	33
4a. One car entering parked position	2		1	1
b. One car leaving parked position	21		3	18
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	9		4	5
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	15		3	12
c. All others	1			1
d. Not stated				
Totals	372	6	109	257

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	14	4		4	10	5	5
2. Car turning right	1				1	1	
3. Car turning left	1				1	1	
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	16	4		4	12	7	5

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Call-out with 1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	4		4	
2. Fixed object in road	10		4	6
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	36	3	24	9
Call-out with 5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	8		5	3
6. Fixed object in road	45		17	28
7. Overturned in road	2		2	
Left road 8. At curve	186	4	90	92
9. Straight road	264	4	118	142
10. Fall from moving vehicle	2		2	
11. All others	114	1	11	102
12. Not stated				
Totals	671	12	277	382

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection	10			1	3	2	1			2	1
b. Same - not at intersection	4	10	1	3	1	1	2	1	1		
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic	1			1							
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Standing on roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle on roadway											
6. Other working on roadway	1										
7. Playing on roadway											
8. Other on roadway											
9. Not on roadway	2			2							
10. Not stated										2	1
Totals	4	24	1	7	4	3	4	1	1	2	1

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	99	3	40
2. 16	107	4	38
3. 17	124	1	41
4. 18 to 19	225	2	83
5. 20 to 24	423	6	154
6. 25 to 34	440	8	158
7. 35 to 44	319	6	110
8. 45 to 54	285	5	108
9. 55 to 64	175	5	59
10. 65 to 74	90	4	37
11. 75 & older	38	1	14
12. Not stated			
Totals	2325	45	842

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1725	36	605
2. Female	599	9	237
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	2325	45	842

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	1729	27	615
2. Residing elsewhere in state	407	11	164
3. Residing out of state	188	7	62
4. Not stated	1		1
Totals	2325	45	842

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1917	33	680
2. Passenger car and trailer	7		3
3. Truck or truck tractor	429	6	143
4. Truck tractor and semi tractor	65	4	18
5. Other truck combination	5		1
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Tractor	4		1
8. Bus	9		1
9. School bus	1		
10. Motorcycle	28	2	22
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Other and not stated	4		1
Totals	2469	45	870

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	1063	26	411
2. Wet	197	2	69
3. Snowy or icy	216	1	68
4. Other	51	1	13
5. Not stated	8		2
Totals	1535	30	563

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	674	6	208
2. Not built-up	861	24	355
3. Not stated			
Totals	1535	30	563

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	809	12	300
2. Dawn or dusk	69	4	20
3. Darkness	651	14	242
4. Not stated	6		1
Totals	1535	30	563

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	320	1	155
2. Failed to yield right of way	146	1	64
3. Drove left of center	30		9
4. Improper overtaking	7		1
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Overlooked traffic signal	34	1	11
7. Followed too closely	31		11
8. Made improper turn	13		4
9. Other improper driving	7		4
10. Inadequate brakes	4		1
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	54	1	27
Totals	646	4	287

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF ACCIDENTS PERIOD OCTOBER 1971

URBAN

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	8		2
2. Clear	465	4	151
3. Raining	41		10
4. Snowing	79		19
5. Fog	3		
6. Other	24		12
Total	611	4	194

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	10		2
2. Straight road—level	506	3	163
3. Straight road—hillcrest	11		2
4. Straight road—on grade	64		18
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	12	1	6
7. Curve—hillcrest			
8. Curve—on grade	8		3
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	611	4	194

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	84		28
2. Farmers or farm laborers	34		7
3. Students	279	4	86
4. Sales persons	30		8
5. Commercial drivers	28		7
6. Military personnel	24		4
7. Housewives & domestic servants	137	1	47
8. Retired & pensioners	44	1	16
9. All other workers	438	1	150
Total	1098	7	353

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	252		76
2. Received classroom training in school			
3. Received behind the wheel training	9	2	2
4. Received both classes of training	134	2	43
5. No driver training	277	3	98
Total	672	7	219

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	37		11
2. HBD—obviously drunk	8		2
3. HBD—ability impaired	15		6
4. HBD—ability not impaired	14		6
5. HBD—not known if impaired	28		16
6. Had not been drinking	546	5	169
7. Not known if drinking	24	2	9
Total	672	7	219

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders			
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps			
4. Loose material on surface	2		
5. Under construction or repair	2		2
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other			
8. No defects	366	4	118
Total	370	4	120

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	242		68
2. Equipped with in use	120		36
3. Equipped with not in use	547	5	173
4. Not equipped with	189	2	76
Total	1098	7	353
1. Not stated	973		305
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	12	3	9
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	1		1
4. SB did not or could not have helped	112	4	38
Total	1098	7	353

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	301	1	103
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	69	3	17
3. Not stated			
Total	370	4	120
1. Not stated	332		95
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	20	2	9
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	3		3
5. No speed violation	386	5	126
Total	741	7	233
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	5		1
2. Hit & run accidents			



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA
(State)For OCTOBER

1971

(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	16	1	4	11	3	6	4	1	1
2. Overturned on road									
3. Pedestrian	8		8			8	5	3	
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	455	3	144	308	4	210	42	65	103
5. Parked motor vehicle	86		15	71		18	8	7	3
6. Railroad train	2		1	1		1	1		
7. Bicyclist	4		4			4	1	2	1
8. Animal									
9. Fixed object	40		18	22		22	8	8	6
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision									
12.									
Totals	611	4	194	413	7	269	69	86	114

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding, wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF URBAN ACCIDENTS

Legally responsible accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 250 or more

☐ In the accident☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available or

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RECORDS & STATISTICAL SECTION
MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS		Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Continued on page 2B	1. Ran off road	6		3	261	4	113	135		59	+ INF
	2. Overturned on road	3		4	24		20	19		20	NC
	3. Pedestrian	11		11	110	8	106	73	3	77	+167
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	388	3	127	5032	7	1863	4042	6	1256	+167
	5. Parked motor vehicle	78		17	951		192	724	2	143	-100
	6. Railroad train	1		1	9	1	6	10	1	4	NC
	7. Bicyclist	4		4	70		76	54		56	NC
	8. Animal							6		2	NC
	9. Fixed object	31		15	307	1	128	329	5	123	-80.8
	10. Other object	1			4		2	5		1	NC
	11. Other non-collision				6		4	8	1	5	-100
	12. Misc.							1		1	NC
Totals		523	3	182	6774	21	2510	5406	18	1747	+16.7

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	21	18	+16.7
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage travelled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal accidents	18	17	+5.9

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	138		42	96		53						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	119	1	41	77	1	62						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	91	2	29	60	5	40						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	263	1	82	180	1	114						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	611	4	194	413	7	269						
1. Controlled access highway												
2. State routes												
3. County routes												
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural												
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
6. Midnight	22	1			2		1		4		5		9	1	1			
1. 1:00	17								3		5		4		5			
2. 2:00	16				1		2		1		1		5		6			
3. 3:00	24		2		3						6		10		3			
4. 4:00	4												2		2			
5. 5:00	4								1				1		2			
6. 6:00	1				1													
7. 7:00	4		1										2		1			
8. 8:00	26		9		6		1		2		8							
9. 9:00	25		2		2		7		4		5		3		2			
10. 10:00	17		4				3		2		2		5		1			
11. 11:00	32		3		3		2		6		7		8		3			
12. Noon	14				1		4		2		1		4		2			
13. 1:00	51		9		5		5		7		12		10		3			
14. 2:00	32		7		3		3		3		8		7		1			
15. 3:00	35		3		2		4		3		16		5		2			
16. 4:00	46	1	4	1	2		7		7		16		6		6			
17. 5:00	54		5		5		8		8		19		7		2			
18. 6:00	43		6		7		2		6		9		8		5			
19. 7:00	27		3		6		4		2		6		4		2			
20. 8:00	31	1	2	1	2		3		8		10		4		2			
21. 9:00	35	1	4		6	1	3		2		11		7		2			
22. 10:00	23		4		1		5		2		5		3		3			
23. 11:00	25		4		2		2		4		6		7					
24. Not stated	3		1												2			
Totals	611	4	73	2	60	1	64		77		158		121	1	58			

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed											
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
0 to 4										4	1	3
5 to 9	1		1							8	5	3
10 to 14	1	1								12	6	6
15 to 19	2	2								65	37	28
20 to 24	2	2								47	26	21
25 to 34										44	21	23
35 to 44										28	12	16
45 to 54										17	9	8
55 to 64										12	6	6
65 to 74	1		1							22	6	16
75 & older										5	1	4
Not stated										5	3	2
Totals	7	5	2							269	133	136

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Following or angle	217	1	68	148
2a. From same direction - both going straight	3		3	
b. Same - one turn, one straight	25		6	19
c. Same - one stopped	62		32	30
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	1		1	
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	28	2	8	18
c. Same - all others	4			4
d. Not stated				
Totals	340	3	114	223

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	13		4	9
2. Going same direction - both moving	28		4	24
3a. One car parked	86		15	71
b. One car stopped in traffic	35		12	23
4a. One car entering parked position	2		1	1
b. One car leaving parked position	17		3	14
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	9		4	5
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	11		2	9
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	201		45	156

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
		Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	6		6	4
2. Car turning right	1		1	1
3. Car turning left	1		1	1
4. Car backing				
5. All others				
6. Not stated				
Totals	8		8	6

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	4		4	
2. Fixed object in road	9		4	5
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	2	1		1
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	2		1	1
6. Fixed object in road	31		14	17
7. Overturned in road				
8. At curve	7		2	5
9. Straight road	7		2	5
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others				
12. Not stated				
Totals	62	1	27	34

7 PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured											
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated		
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection	9		1	2	2	1			2		1	
b. Same - not at intersection	2		1									
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic	1		1									
b. Same - against traffic												
3. Standing in roadway												
4. Getting on or off other vehicle												
5. Pushing or working on vehicle or roadway												
6. Other working in roadway												
7. Playing in roadway												
8. Other in roadway												
9. Not in roadway												
10. Not stated												
Totals	12		3	2	2	1		1	2		1	

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	60	2	17
2. 16	58	2	18
3. 17	68		20
4. 18 to 19	125		41
5. 20 to 24	198	1	66
6. 25 to 34	191	1	69
7. 35 to 44	137		46
8. 45 to 54	127		36
9. 55 to 64	74		18
10. 65 to 74	43		16
11. 75 & older	17		6
12. Not stated			
Totals	1098	7	353

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	739	6	226
2. Female	358	1	127
3. Not stated			
Totals	1098	7	353

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	955	6	311
2. Visiting elsewhere in state	122	1	36
3. Nonresident of state	20		5
4. Not stated	1		1
Totals	1098	7	353

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1027	6	316
2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. Truck or truck tractor	153		41
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	3		1
5. Other truck combination			
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Tractor	3		1
8. Bus	5		
9. School bus	1		
10. Motorcycle	21	1	16
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Other and not stated			
Totals	1213	7	375

Special vehicles included above

13. Emergency (including privately owned)	1		1
14. Military vehicle			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	4		1

13 ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	436	4	148
2. Wet	91		24
3. Snowy or icy	76		20
4. Other			
5. Not stated	8		2
Totals	611	4	194

14 KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Split-up	610	4	194
2. Not split-up	1		
3. Not stated			
Totals	611	4	194

15 LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	386	1	117
2. Dawn or dusk	17		5
3. Darkness	202	3	71
4. Not stated	6		1
Totals	611	4	194

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11 CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	109		39
2. Failed to yield right of way	101		41
3. Drove left of center	8		
4. Improper overtaking	1		
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	31	1	8
7. Followed too closely	16		5
8. Made improper turn	6		2
9. Other improper driving	1		
10. Inadequate brakes			
11. Improper lights			
12. Not been drinking	13		3
Totals	286	1	98

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF RURAL

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD OCTOBER 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	682	22	290
3. Raining	57	1	23
4. Snowing	119	2	33
5. Fog	9	2	2
6. Other	57	1	21
Total	924	26	369

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	471	13	172
3. Straight road—hillycrest	42		13
4. Straight road—on grade	162	3	74
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	129	4	55
7. Curve—hillycrest	8		1
8. Curve—on grade	112	6	54
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	924	26	369

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	164	2	67
2. Farmers or farm laborers	97	5	38
3. Students	217	6	92
4. Sales persons	26		10
5. Commercial drivers	97	4	32
6. Military personnel	31		10
7. Housewives & domestic servants	114	4	55
8. Retired & pensioners	58	1	26
9. All other workers	423	16	159
Total	1227	38	489

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Received classroom training in school	6	1	1
3. Received behind the wheel training	2		1
4. Received both classes of training	277	7	108
5. No driver training	735	30	345
Total	1020	38	455

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. HBD—obviously drunk	29	6	16
3. HBD—ability impaired	41	2	22
4. HBD—ability not impaired	33	2	16
5. HBD—not known if impaired	98	3	50
6. Had not been drinking	722	18	303
7. Not known if drinking	97	7	48
Total	1020	38	455

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	14	1	3
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	15	1	6
4. Loose material on surface	38	1	16
5. Under construction or repair	6		2
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	28	1	13
7. Other			
8. No defects	655	22	301
Total	756	26	341

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Equipped with in use	225	1	74
3. Equipped with not in use	648	23	263
4. Not equipped with	353	14	152
Total	1227	38	489
1. Not stated			
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	205		34
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	322	28	207
4. SB did not or could not have helped	142	1	60
Total	558	9	188
Total	1227	38	489

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	399	3	219
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	357	23	122
3. Not stated			
Total	756	26	341
1. Not stated			
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	68	26	26
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	34	1	19
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Not exceeding legal speed limit			
5. No speed violation	178	8	95
Total	763	29	321
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	1043	38	461
2. Hit & run accidents	7		3



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA (State) For OCTOBER 1971 (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	470	10	228	232	12	337	151	112	74
2. Overturned on road	2		2			3	1	1	1
3. Pedestrian	8	4	4		4	5	3		2
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	282	11	110	161	12	209	63	73	73
5. Parked motor vehicle	24		5	19		8	4	2	2
6. Railroad train	3		1	2		2	1	1	1
7. Bicyclist	3		3			3	1	1	1
8. Animal	102	1	8	93	1	11	2	5	4
9. Fixed object	15		3	12		3	1	2	
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	15		5	10		10	3	4	3
12.									
Totals	924	26	369	529	29	591	230	201	160

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	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Motor Vehicle										
1. Ran off road	365	13	260	3842	124	2673	3495	101	2352	+22.8%
2. Overturned on road	7		3	41		34	31	3	23	-100%
3. Pedestrian	2		2	63	18	61	41	12	38	-50.0%
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	217	4	152	3075	91	1964	2407	103	1472	-11.7%
5. Parked motor vehicle	25		2	265	4	76	192		32	+INF%
6. Railroad train	8	1	6	43	13	13	31	7	27	+85.7%
7. Bicyclist	3		3	27	4	27	21	2	21	+100%
8. Animal	67		11	707	1	65	362		54	+INF%
9. Fixed object	7	2	5	271	14	68	118	23	40	-39.1%
10. Other object				5						NC%
11. Other non-collision	7		2	84	2	26	47	2	29	NC%
12.										
Totals	708	20	446	8423	271	5007	6745	253	4088	+7.1%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	271	253	+7.1%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal Accidents	225	195	+15.4%
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more people and all areas classified as urban by special ordinance in 1960 as well as those areas above.												
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban												
RURAL: All locations other than those above.												
1. Controlled access highway	101	3	45	53	3	75						
2. State routes	494	14	185	295	15	290						
3. County routes	329	9	139	181	11	226						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	924	26	369	529	29	591						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
8. Midnight	54		1		4		4		4		17		18		6			
1. 1:00	32	1	2		1		4		3		6		5		11	1		
2. 2:00	31		4		4		2		2		1		7		11			
3. 3:00	44	3	2		4	1	5		2		7		14		10	2		
4. 4:00	26				1		3		1		3		8		10			
5. 5:00	12	1	1		1				1		2		4		3	1		
6. 6:00	12		1		1				1		4		4		5			
7. 7:00	20	2	8	2	2		4		1		2		1		2			
8. 8:00	29	1			4		6	1	1		9		1		8			
9. 9:00	35	1	2		2		12		4		6		5		4	1		
10. 10:00	30		3		3		1		8		5		8		2			
11. 11:00	40		1				6		5		10		11		7			
12. Noon	34	1	1		4		8		2		3		8		8	1		
13. 1:00	37	2	4		6		3		5		5		5	1	9	1		
14. 2:00	31		3		5		6		5		6		4		2			
15. 3:00	35	1	5		3		9		3		4	1	7		4			
16. 4:00	51	1	7		4		9		7		8		8		9	1		
17. 5:00	58	2	4		8		8		6		8		15	2	9			
18. 6:00	57	2	8		8	1	11		7		10		7	1	6			
19. 7:00	39	2	1		6		2		5		9	1	7		9	1		
20. 8:00	59	3	6		5		2		6	1	16	2	11		12			
21. 9:00	79	2	8		12	2	9		5		18		15		12			
22. 10:00	42	1	6	1	2		4		1		14		8		7			
23. 11:00	38		4		1		3		8		8		6		8			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	924	26	82	3	91	4	120	1	92	1	178	4	187	4	174	9		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	
0 to 4	1	1		1	1		19	11	8	
5 to 9							13	6	7	
10 to 14	1		1	1		1	21	14	7	2
15 to 19	4	2	2				141	84	57	1
20 to 24	4	3	1	1	1		103	80	23	1
25 to 34	6	3	3	1		1	83	52	31	
35 to 44	4	2	2				62	47	15	
45 to 54	3	3					64	39	25	
55 to 64	3	2	1				41	24	17	
65 to 74	2	2					26	14	12	
75 & older	2		2				18	8	10	
Not stated										
Totals	30	18	12	4	2	2	591	379	212	5

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	53	4	21	28
2a. From same direction - both going straight	9		2	7
b. Same - one turn, one straight	38		11	27
c. Same - one stopped	16		7	9
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	4	1	1	2
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	16		9	7
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	136	5	51	80

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	63	6	22	35
2. Going same direction - both moving	55		26	29
3a. One car parked	24		5	19
b. One car stopped at traffic	20		10	10
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	4			4
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	4		1	3
6. All others	1			1
7. Not stated				
Totals	171	6	64	101

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	8	4		4	4	1	3
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left							
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	8	4		4	4	1	3

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Collision with: 1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. 2. Fixed object in road	1			1
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	34	2	24	8
5. Collision with: 5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. 6. Fixed object in road	6		4	2
7. Overturned in road	14		3	11
8. At curve	2		2	
9. Straight road	179	4	88	87
10. Fell from moving vehicle	257	4	116	137
11. All others	2		2	
12. Not stated	114	1	11	102
Totals	609	11	250	348

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway or intersection		1			1						
b. Same - not at intersection	4	8	1	2	1	1	2	1			
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic											
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Standing on roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle on roadway											
6. Other working on roadway		1						1			
7. Playing on roadway											
8. Other on roadway					2						
9. Not on roadway		2									
10. Not stated											
Totals	4	12	1	4	2	1	3	1			

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	39	1	23
2. 16	49	2	20
3. 17	56	1	21
4. 18 to 19	100	2	42
5. 20 to 24	225	5	88
6. 25 to 34	249	7	89
7. 35 to 44	182	6	64
8. 45 to 54	158	5	72
9. 55 to 64	101	5	41
10. 65 to 74	47	3	21
11. 75 & older	21	1	8
12. Not stated			
Totals	1227	38	489

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	986	30	379
2. Female	241	8	110
3. Not stated			
Totals	1227	38	489

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	774	21	304
2. Residing elsewhere in state	285	10	128
3. Temporary home of state	168	7	57
4. Not stated			
Totals	1227	38	489

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	890	27	364
2. Passenger car and trailer	7		3
3. Truck or truck tractor	276	6	102
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	62	4	17
5. Other truck combination	5		1
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Tractor	1		
8. Bus	4		1
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	7	1	6
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	4		1
Totals	1256	38	495

Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	11		5

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	627	22	263
2. Wet	106	2	45
3. Snowy or icy	140	1	48
4. Other	51	1	13
5. Not stated			
Totals	924	26	369

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Shoulder	64	2	14
2. Not builtup	860	24	355
3. Not stated			
Totals	924	26	369

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	423	11	183
2. Dawn or dusk	52	4	15
3. Darkness	449	11	171
4. Not stated			
Totals	924	26	369

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	211	1	116
2. Failed to yield right of way	45	1	23
3. Drove left of center	22		9
4. Improper overtaking	6		1
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	3		3
7. Followed too closely	15		6
8. Made improper turn	7		2
9. Other improper driving	6		4
10. Inadequate brakes	4		1
11. Improper lights			
12. Not been drinking	41	1	24
Totals	360	3	189

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF STATEWIDE ACCIDENTS PERIOD NOVEMBER 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	10		4
2. Clear	1006	14	362
3. Raining	52		19
4. Snowing	174	2	61
5. Fog	22		9
6. Other	116	4	56
Total	1380	20	511

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	14		6
2. Straight road—level	848	12	295
3. Straight road—hillcrest	27		10
4. Straight road—on grade	202	1	84
5. Straight road—not stated	1		1
6. Curve—level	132	3	55
7. Curve—hillcrest	14		5
8. Curve—on grade	142	4	55
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	1380	20	511

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	203	3	83
2. Farmers or farm laborers	111		40
3. Students	399	4	147
4. Sales persons	62		21
5. Commercial drivers	126	2	43
6. Military personnel	44		17
7. Housewives & domestic servants	207	3	93
8. Retired & pensioners	90	3	31
9. All other workers	809	14	293
Total	2051	29	768

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	212	1	71
2. Received classroom training in school	3		
3. Received behind the wheel training	3		
4. Received both classes of training	335	4	130
5. No driver training	851	24	364
Total	1404	29	565

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	42	2	14
2. HBD—obviously drunk	28	1	14
3. HBD—ability impaired	43	2	30
4. HBD—ability not impaired	40		25
5. HBD—not known if impaired	108	2	46
6. Had not been drinking	1028	14	391
7. Not known if drinking	115	8	45
Total	1404	29	565

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	4	1	1
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	2		
4. Loose material on surface	36		14
5. Under construction or repair	11	1	3
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	24	1	15
7. Other			
8. No defects	896	17	366
Total	973	20	399

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	230		87
2. Equipped with in use	321	3	97
3. Equipped with not in use	1043	18	401
4. Not equipped with	457	8	183
Total	2051	29	768
1. Not stated	1095	2	361
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	255	14	174
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	134	3	46
4. SB did not or could not have helped	567	10	187
Total	2051	29	768

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	559		257
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	414	20	142
3. Not stated			
Total	973	20	399
1. Not stated	319		108
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	36	3	19
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		
4. Exceeding safe speed limit	166	7	83
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	954	19	366
5. No speed violation	1476	29	576
Total	1476	29	576
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	16	1	4
2. Hit & run accidents			



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For NOVEMBER 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	475	10	216	249	11	313	131	95	87
2. Overturned on road	2		2			4	2	2	
3. Pedestrian	23	2	21		2	21	10	7	4
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	634	8	231	395	9	368	101	109	158
5. Parked motor vehicle	81		11	70		14	7	3	4
6. Railroad train	3		3			5	5		
7. Bicyclist	1		1			1			1
8. Animal	93		8	85		15	7	5	3
9. Fixed object	61		16	45		23	10	7	6
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	7		2	5		3	2		1
12.									
Totals	1380	20	511	849	22	767	275	228	264

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2. Overturned on road	3		1	67		58	53	3	44	+100
3. Pedestrian	16	4	18	196	28	188	130	19	133	+474
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	783	7	285	8741	107	4195	7232	116	3013	+7.8
5. Parked motor vehicle	102		16	1297	4	282	1018	2	191	+100
6. Railroad train	6	2	2	55	14	24	47	10	33	+400
7. Bicyclist				98	4	104	75	2	77	+100
8. Animal	48		18	800	1	80	416		74	+1NF
9. Fixed object	59	2	28	639	15	219	506	30	191	-50.0
10. Other object				9		1			1	NC
11. Other non-collision	4		1	97	2	34	59	3	35	-333
12. Misc.							1		1	NC
Totals	1429	24	631	16577	314	8284	13580	295	6466	+6.4

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	314	295	+6.4
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	4719	4285	+10.1
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles	6.7	6.9	-2.9
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	5.6	5.5	+1.8
5. Fatal accidents	263	233	+12.9

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3. 25,000 to 50,000	94	2	38	54	2	49						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	218	1	85	132	1	119						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	515	4	192	319	4	251						
RURAL: All locations other than those above												
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2. State routes	458	9	185	264	11	292						
3. County routes	303	6	96	201	6	160						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	865	16	319	530	18	516						
Total urban and rural	1380	20	511	849	22	767						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon																		
0. Midnight	46		3		7		8		3		12		11		2			
1. 1:00	43		5		2		5		5		5		11		10			
2. 2:00	39	1	3		4		4		4		4		8	1	12			
3. 3:00	72	2	6		5		4		7	1	7	1	23		20			
4. 4:00	30		3				2		5		3		8		9			
5. 5:00	22		1		1		4		2		1		4		5			
6. 6:00	12		1		1		1		1		1		2		5			
7. 7:00	22	1	3		5	1	3		2		3		4		2			
8. 8:00	43		9		9		4		8		1		4		8			
9. 9:00	61		11		11		10		4		12		9		4			
10. 10:00	56	3	6	1	12	1	9		3		10		12	1	4			
11. 11:00	42		7		8		4		5		6		7		5			
12. Noon	71		9		9		12		11		10		12		8			
After Noon																		
13. 1:00	63		10		7		7		8		15		10		6			
14. 2:00	72		11		9		8		9		15		14		6			
15. 3:00	80	1	9		8		12		7	1	15		20		9			
16. 4:00	84	2	12		11		14		9		16		13		9	2		
17. 5:00	104	1	17		13		17		14	1	11		16		16			
18. 6:00	88	3	16		13	2	9	1	14		12		16		8			
19. 7:00	75	2	10		7	1	14		8		14		13	1	9			
20. 8:00	77	2	9		10		9		6		21	1	12	1	10			
21. 9:00	65	1	5		11	1	9		7		10		10		13			
22. 10:00	62	1	14		8		7		4		14		8		7	1		
23. 11:00	51		6		9		7		6		9		9		5			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	1380	20	186	1	180	6	183	1	152	3	227	2	256	4	196	3		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total Injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4	1		1							11	7	4	1	1				
2. 5 to 9										17	5	12	4	1				
3. 10 to 14	1		1	1		1				30	19	11	3	2	1			
4. 15 to 19	2	1	1							175	115	60	6	3	3			
5. 20 to 24	3	3								154	87	67				1		1
6. 25 to 34	2	2								117	71	46	1	1				
7. 35 to 44	3	2	1							83	51	32	1	1				
8. 45 to 54	2	1	1							70	36	34	1	1				
9. 55 to 64	3	3		1	1					56	26	30	2	2				
10. 65 to 74	3	1	2							26	16	10	1	1				
11. 75 & older	2	1	1							20	10	10	1		1			
12. Not stated										8	4	4	1	1				
Totals	22	14	8	2	1	1				767	447	e20	22	14	8	1		1

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	221	1	78	142
2a. From same direction - both going straight	4			4
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	43		11	32
c. Same - one stopped	67		36	31
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	5		2	3
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	37	1	14	22
c. Same - all others	2		1	1
4. Not stated				
Totals	379	2	142	235

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	87	6	34	47
2. Going same direction - both moving	76		26	50
3a. One car parked	81		11	70
b. One car stopped at traffic	42		23	19
4a. One car entering parked position	2			2
b. One car leaving parked position	15		1	14
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	7		3	4
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	24		2	22
6. All others	3			3
7. Not stated				
Totals	337	6	100	231

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	23	2	1	1	21	5	16
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left	2				2	2	
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	25	2	1	1	23	7	16

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	6		4	2
2. Fixed object in road	2		2	
3. Overturned in road	42	2	21	19
4. Left road	2		2	
5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	55		12	43
6. Fixed object in road				
7. Overturned in road	161	3	70	88
8. At curve	272	5	125	142
9. Straight road				
10. Fell from moving vehicle	99		10	89
11. All others				
12. Not stated				
Totals	639	10	246	383

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured										
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated	
1a. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection	1	8		2		1		2	2	1	
b. Same - not at intersection	1	16	1	2	4	6	1	2			
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic											
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Standing on roadway	1										
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle on roadway											
6. Other working on roadway											
7. Playing on roadway											
8. Other on roadway											
9. Not on roadway											
10. Not stated											
Totals	2	25	1	4	4	6	1	2	4	2	1

B. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	55	1	24
2. 16	75	2	22
3. 17	92		32
4. 18 to 19	205	1	78
5. 20 to 24	413	5	161
6. 25 to 34	404	5	154
7. 35 to 44	272	5	107
8. 45 to 54	240	4	80
9. 55 to 64	158	2	64
10. 65 to 74	101	3	30
11. 75 & older	36	1	16
12. Not stated			
Totals	2051	29	768

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1521	22	550
2. Female	530	7	218
3. Not stated			
Totals	2051	29	768

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Rural residence	1525	21	568
2. Semi-rural where in state	371	5	141
3. Urban area of state	155	3	59
4. Not stated			
Totals	2051	29	768

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1689	23	618
2. Passenger car and trailer	2		
3. Truck or truck tractor	380	3	132
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	56	2	17
5. Other truck combination	3		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1		
7. Tractor	2		1
8. Bus	3		
9. School bus	6		3
10. Motorcycle	11	1	10
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	3		2
Totals	2156	29	783

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	833	17	310
2. Wet	130	1	51
3. Snowy or icy	313	2	125
4. Other	94		21
5. Not stated	10		4
Totals	1380	20	511

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Build-up	583	5	206
2. Not build-up	797	15	305
3. Not stated			
Totals	1380	20	511

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	617	7	212
2. Dawn or dusk	91		35
3. Darkness	661	13	259
4. Not stated	11		5
Totals	1380	20	511

Contributing Circumstances - Table 111 compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	253		119
2. Failed to yield right of way	122		45
3. Drove left of center	28		15
4. Improper overtaking	5		1
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	26		6
7. Followed too closely	23		9
8. Made improper turn	4		2
9. Other improper driving	10		5
10. Inadequate brakes	1		1
11. Improper lights	1		1
12. Had been drinking	39		27
Totals	512		231

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

PERIOD NOVEMBER 1971

ACCIDENTS

SUMMARY REPORT OF URBAN

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	10		4
2. Clear	425	3	156
3. Raining	22		10
4. Snowing	25		10
5. Fog	4		1
6. Other	29	1	11
Total	515	4	192

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	12		6
2. Straight road—level	429	4	158
3. Straight road—hillcrest	8		3
4. Straight road—on grade	48		15
5. Straight road—not stated	1		1
6. Curve—level	11		7
7. Curve—hillcrest	2		1
8. Curve—on grade	4		1
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	515	4	192

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	77		38
2. Farmers or farm laborers	19		11
3. Students	214	1	79
4. Sales persons	34		8
5. Commercial drivers	30	1	10
6. Military personnel	23		6
7. Housewives & domestic servants	103	1	45
8. Retired & pensioners	36	1	15
9. All other workers	388	3	142
Total	924	7	354

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	209		71
2. Received classroom training in school	1		
3. Received behind the wheel training	2		
4. Received both classes of training	121	1	42
5. No driver training	203	6	80
Total	536	7	193

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	38		14
2. HBD—obviously drunk	11	1	6
3. HBD—ability impaired	8		6
4. HBD—ability not impaired	16		9
5. HBD—not known if impaired	32		10
6. Had not been drinking	404	3	143
7. Not known if drinking	27	3	5
Total	536	7	193

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	1	1	
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	1		
4. Loose material on surface			
5. Under construction or repair	1		1
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other			
8. No defects	300	3	110
Total	303	4	111

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	230		87
2. Equipped with in use	115		44
3. Equipped with not in use	432	4	165
4. Not equipped with	147	3	58
Total	924	7	354
1. Not stated	835		319
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	14	2	12
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	5		3
4. SB did not or could not have helped	70	5	20
Total	924	7	354

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	242		86
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	61	4	25
3. Not stated			
Total	303	4	111
1. Not stated	256		84
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	11	1	6
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Not exceeding legal speed limit	1	1	
5. No speed violation	315	5	108
Total	584	7	198
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	7		2
2. Hit & run accidents			



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For NOVEMBER 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	23	1	11	11	1	14	8	4	2
2. Overturned on road	2		2			4	2	2	
3. Pedestrian	18	1	17		1	17	6	7	4
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	378	2	140	236	2	185	34	55	96
5. Parked motor vehicle	54		6	48		8	3	2	3
6. Railroad train									
7. Bicyclist	1		1			1			1
8. Animal									
9. Fixed object	39		15	24		22	10	6	6
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision									
12.									
Totals	515	4	192	319	4	251	63	76	112

SUMMARY OF URBAN ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 250... or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

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MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death-Disabled
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	5		1	284	5	127	140		60	+INF %
2. Overturned on road	2			26		24	21		20	NC %
3. Pedestrian	11		13	128	9	123	84	3	90	+200 %
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	515	1	132	5410	9	2048	4557	7	1388	+286 %
5. Parked motor vehicle	86		8	1005		200	810	2	151	-100 %
6. Railroad train	1			9	1	6	11	1	4	NC %
7. Bicyclist				71		77	54		56	NC %
8. Animal	1						7		2	NC %
9. Fixed object	38		18	346	1	150	367	5	141	-600 %
10. Other object				4		2	5		1	NC %
11. Other non-collision				6		4	8	1	5	-100 %
12. Misc.							1		1	NC %
Totals	659	1	172	7289	25	276	6065	19	1919	+31.6 %

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	25	19	+31.6 %
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			%
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			%
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			%
5. Fatal accidents	22	18	+22.2 %
6. -			%

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Fatal	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	119	1	40	78	1	49						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	84		29	55		34						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	94	2	38	54	2	49						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	218	1	85	132	1	119						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	515	4	192	319	4	251						
1. Controlled access highway												
2. State routes												
3. County routes												
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural												
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
	Hour beginning																	
Before Noon	0. Midnight	17		1			4		2		5		5					
	1. 1:00	21		3			2		2		4		6		4			
	2. 2:00	13					1		1		1		4		6			
	3. 3:00	30		2		2	3		4		4		11		4			
	4. 4:00	9							1				5		3			
	5. 5:00	3					1								2			
	6. 6:00	3											2		1			
	7. 7:00	1									1							
	8. 8:00	15		2		5	1		5		1		1					
	9. 9:00	27		6		5	5		7		3		3		1			
	10. 10:00	8				2	2		3		1							
After Noon	11. 11:00	11		1		2	1		1		4		2					
	12. Noon	30		4		6	5		3		4		6		2			
	13. 1:00	22		3		6	2		2		6		2		1			
	14. 2:00	36		7		5	4		2		9		7		2			
	15. 3:00	38		3		6	5		2		7		12		3			
	16. 4:00	50	1	9		9	5		3		12		10		2	1		
	17. 5:00	46	1	9		5	8		8		6		8		2			
	18. 6:00	37	1	5		6	5	1	6		5		8		2			
	19. 7:00	18		3		2	2		4		4		2		1			
	20. 8:00	26	1	5		4	2		3		7		4	1	1			
	21. 9:00	16		1		2	3		1		4		3		2			
	22. 10:00	18		5		1	2		1		5		3		1			
	23. 11:00	20		1		4	2		3		4		4		2			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	515	4	70		72		65	1	54	1	103		109	1	42	1		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Total killed			Pedestrians Killed			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										7	6	1	1	1				
2. 5 to 9										5	1	4	4	1	3			
3. 10 to 14	1		1	1		1				8	4	4	3	2	1			
4. 15 to 19										60	36	24	6	3	3			
5. 20 to 24										48	19	29				1		1
6. 25 to 34	1	1								38	20	18						
7. 35 to 44										20	10	10						
8. 45 to 54										25	12	13						
9. 55 to 64										16	6	10	1	1				
10. 65 to 74	1	1								8	4	4						
11. 75 & older	1		1							8	4	4	1		1			
12. Not stated										8	4	4						
Totals	4	2	2	1		1				251	126	125	17	9	8	1		1

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	174		65	109
2a. From same direction - both going straight	2			2
b. Same - one turn, one straight	15		3	12
c. Same - one stopped	55		31	24
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	2		1	1
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	24	1	5	18
c. Same - all others	2		1	1
4. Not stated				
Totals	274	1	106	167

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	14	1	8	5
2. Going same direction - both moving	25		9	16
3a. One car parked	54		6	48
b. One car stopped in traffic	21		11	10
4a. One car entering parked position	2			2
b. One car leaving parked position	19		1	9
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	7		3	4
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	23		2	21
6. All others	2			2
7. Not stated				
Totals	158	1	40	117

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	17	1		1	16	4	12
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left	2				2	2	
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	19	1		1	18	6	12

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision: 1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. with 2. Fixed object on road	6		4	2
3. Overturned in road	2		2	
4. Left road	6		2	4
Collision: 5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. with 6. Fixed object on road	33		11	22
7. Overturned in road				
8. At curve	3		3	
9. Straight road	14	1	6	7
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others				
12. Not stated				
Totals	64	1	28	35

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 54	55 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection	6		2			1				
b. Same - not at intersection	13	1	2	4	6			1	1	
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic										
b. Same - against traffic										
3. Standing on roadway										
4. Getting on or off other vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle on roadway										
6. Other working on roadway										
7. Playing on roadway										
8. Other on roadway										
9. Not on roadway										
10. Not stated										
Totals	19	1	4	4	6	1		1	1	1

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	42		18
2. 16	42	1	16
3. 17	43		17
4. 18 to 19	107		36
5. 20 to 24	191		80
6. 25 to 34	176	2	69
7. 35 to 44	104	1	34
8. 45 to 54	96	2	36
9. 55 to 64	64		28
10. 65 to 74	41	1	12
11. 75 & older	18		8
12. Not stated			
Totals	924	7	354

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	630	4	238
2. Female	294	3	116
3. Not stated			
Totals	924	7	354

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	795	6	306
2. Visiting relative in state	106	1	43
3. Non-resident of state	23		5
4. Not stated			
Totals	924	7	354

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	842	5	299
2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. Truck or truck tractor	135	1	49
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	4	1	1
5. Other truck combination			
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Taxis	2		1
8. Bus	1		
9. School bus	4		2
10. Motorcycle	8		8
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated			
Totals	996	7	360

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	366	4	132
2. Wet	51		23
3. Snowy or icy	87		32
4. Other	1		1
5. Not stated	10		4
Totals	515	4	192

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Suburb	515	4	192
2. Not Suburb			
3. Not stated			
Totals	515	4	192

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	258	2	89
2. Dawn or dusk	35		15
3. Darkness	211	2	83
4. Not stated	11		5
Totals	515	4	192

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	79		28
2. Failed to yield right of way	86		28
3. Drove left of center	7		3
4. Improper overtaking	2		
5. Passed into lane			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	23		3
7. Followed too closely	15		7
8. Made improper turn	3		2
9. Other improper driving			
10. Inadequate brakes			
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	12		8
Totals	227		79

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF RURAL ACCIDENTS PERIOD NOVEMBER 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	581	11	206
3. Raining	30		9
4. Snowing	149	2	51
5. Fog	18		8
6. Other	87	3	45
Total	865	16	319

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Straight road—level	419	8	137
3. Straight road—hillcrest	19		7
4. Straight road—on grade	154	1	69
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	121	3	48
7. Curve—hillcrest	12		4
8. Curve—on grade	138	4	54
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	865	16	319

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	126	3	45
2. Farmers or farm laborers	92		29
3. Students	185	3	68
4. Sales persons	28		13
5. Commercial drivers	96	1	33
6. Military personnel	21		11
7. Housewives & domestic servants	104	2	48
8. Retired & pensioners	54	2	16
9. All other workers	421	11	151
Total	1127	22	414

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	3	1	
2. Received classroom training in school	2		
3. Received behind the wheel training	1		
4. Received both classes of training	214	3	88
5. No driver training	648	18	284
Total	868	22	372

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	4	2	
2. HBD—obviously drunk	17		8
3. HBD—ability impaired	35	2	24
4. HBD—ability not impaired	24		16
5. HBD—not known if impaired	76	2	36
6. Had not been drinking	624	11	248
7. Not known if drinking	88	5	40
Total	868	22	372

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	3		1
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	1		
4. Loose material on surface	36		14
5. Under construction or repair	10	1	2
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	24	1	15
7. Other			
8. No defects	596	14	256
Total	670	16	288

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Equipped with in use	206	3	53
3. Equipped with not in use	611	14	236
4. Not equipped with	310	5	125
Total	1127	22	414
1. Not stated	260	2	42
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	241	12	162
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	129	3	43
4. SB did not or could not have helped	497	5	167
Total	1127	22	414

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	317		171
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	353	16	117
3. Not stated			
Total	670	16	288
1. Not stated	63		24
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	25	2	13
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	165	6	83
5. No speed violation	639	14	258
Total	892	22	378
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	9	1	2
2. Hit & run accidents			



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA

For NOVEMBER 1971

(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	452	9	205	238	10	299	123	91	85
2. Overturned on road									
3. Pedestrian	5	1	4		1	4	4		
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	256	6	91	159	7	183	67	54	62
5. Parked motor vehicle	27		5	22		6	4	1	1
6. Railroad train	3		3			5	5		
7. Bicyclist									
8. Animal	93		8	85		15	7	5	3
9. Fixed object	22		1	21		1		1	
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	7		2	5		3	2		1
12.									
Totals	865	16	319	530	18	516	212	152	152

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding, wound, displaced member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other partial movement.

c. Complaint of pain, with or without signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF RURAL ACCIDENTS

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\$ 250 or more

☐ In the accident

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2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Month Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Motor Vehicle										
1. Ran off road	403	9	261	4294	134	2972	3898	110	2613	+21.8%
2. Overturned on road	1		1	41		34	32	3	24	-100%
3. Pedestrian	5	4	5	68	19	65	46	16	43	+18.8%
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	268	6	153	3331	98	2147	2675	109	1625	-8.3%
5. Parked motor vehicle	16		8	292	4	82	208		40	+INF%
6. Railroad train	5	2	2	46	13	18	36	9	29	+44.4%
7. Bicyclist				27	4	27	21	2	21	+100%
8. Animal	47		18	800	1	80	409		72	INF%
9. Fixed object	21	2	10	293	14	69	139	25	50	+44.0%
10. Other object				5						NC%
11. Other non-collision	4		1	91	2	29	51	2	30	NC%
12.										%
Totals	770	23	459	9288	289	5523	7515	276	4547	+4.7%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	289	276	+4.7%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal accidents	241	215	+12.1%
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies Tribal, post, military, military, ferry, etc., etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more population, or those specified by special rules followed in 1960 or less												
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban												
1. Controlled access highway	104	1	38	65	1	64						
2. State routes	458	9	185	264	11	292						
3. County routes	303	6	96	201	6	160						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	865	16	319	530	18	516						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Hour beginning																		
0. Midnight	29		2		7		4		1		7		6		2			
1. 1:00	22		2		2		3		3		1		5		6			
2. 2:00	26	1	3		4		3		3		3		4	1	6			
3. 3:00	42	2	4		3		1		3	1	3	1	12		16			
4. 4:00	21		3		2		2		4		3		3		6			
5. 5:00	19		1		1		3		2		1		4		7			
6. 6:00	9		1		1		1		1		1		4		4			
7. 7:00	21	1	3		5	1	3		2		2		4		2			
8. 8:00	28		7		4		3		3		3		3		8			
9. 9:00	34		5		6		5		4		5		6		3			
10. 10:00	48	3	6	1	10	1	7		3		7		11	1	4			
11. 11:00	31		6		6		3		4		2		5		5			
12. Noon	41		5		3		7		8		6		6		6			
13. 1:00	41		7		1		5		6		9		8		5			
14. 2:00	36		4		4		4		7		6		7		4			
15. 3:00	42	1	6		2		7		5	1	8		8		6			
16. 4:00	34	1	3		2		9		6		4		3		7	1		
17. 5:00	58		8		8		9		6		5		8		14			
18. 6:00	51	2	11		7	2	4		8		7		8		6			
19. 7:00	57	2	7		5	1	12		4		10		11	1	8			
20. 8:00	51	1	4		6		7		3		14	1	8		9			
21. 9:00	49	1	4		9	1	6		6		6		7		11			
22. 10:00	44	1	9		7		5		3		9		5		6	1		
23. 11:00	31		5		5		5		3		5		5		3			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	865	16	116	1	108	6	118		98	2	124	2	147	3	154	2		

4. AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed														
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4	1		1							4	1	3			
2. 5 to 9										12	4	8			
3. 10 to 14										22	15	7			
4. 15 to 19	2	1	1							115	79	36			
5. 20 to 24	3	3								106	68	38			
6. 25 to 34	1	1								79	51	28	1	1	
7. 35 to 44	3	2	1							63	41	22	1	1	
8. 45 to 54	2	1	1							45	24	21	1	1	
9. 55 to 64	3	3		1	1					40	20	20	1	1	
10. 65 to 74	2		2							18	12	6	1	1	
11. 75 & older	1	1								12	6	6			
12. Not stated															
Totals	18	12	6	1	1					516	321	195	5	5	

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	47	1	13	33
2a. From same direction - both going straight	2			2
b. Same - one turn, one straight	28		8	20
c. Same - one stopped	12		5	7
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	3		1	2
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	13		9	4
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	105	1	36	68

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	73	5	26	42
2. Going same direction - both moving	51		17	34
3a. One car parked	27		5	22
b. One car stopped in traffic	21		12	9
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	5			5
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	1			1
6. All others	1			1
7. Not stated				
Totals	179	5	60	114

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total Accidents		Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection
1. Car going straight	6	1	1		5	1
2. Car turning right						
3. Car turning left						
4. Car backing						
5. All others						
6. Not stated						
Totals	6	1	1		5	1

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with:				
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.				
2. Fixed object in road				
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	36	2	19	15
Collision with:				
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	2		2	
6. Fixed object in road	22		1	21
7. Overturned in road				
8. At curve	158	3	67	88
9. Straight road	258	4	119	135
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others	99		10	89
12. Not stated				
Totals	575	9	218	348

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection	1	2						1	1	
b. Same - not at intersection	3						1	2		
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic										
b. Same - against traffic										
3. Standing in roadway	1						1			
4. Getting on or off other vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway										
6. Other working in roadway										
7. Playing in roadway										
8. Other in roadway										
9. Not in roadway										
10. Not stated										
Totals	1	6					2	3	1	

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded			
8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	13	1	6
2. 16	33	1	6
3. 17	49	1	15
4. 18 to 19	98	1	42
5. 20 to 24	222	5	81
6. 25 to 34	228	3	85
7. 35 to 44	168	4	73
8. 45 to 54	144	2	44
9. 55 to 64	94	2	36
10. 65 to 74	60	2	18
11. 75 & older	18	1	8
12. Not stated			
Totals	1127	22	414

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are included			
9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	891	18	312
2. Female	236	4	102
3. Not stated			
Totals	1127	22	414

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are included			
10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	730	15	262
2. Residing elsewhere in state	265	4	98
3. Non-resident of state	132	3	54
4. Not stated			
Totals	1127	22	414

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included			
12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	847	18	319
2. Passenger car and trailer	2		
3. Truck or truck tractor	245	2	83
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	52	1	16
5. Other truck combination	3		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1		
7. Trolley			
8. Bus	2		
9. School bus	2		1
10. Motorcycle	3	1	2
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	3		2
Totals	1160	22	423

Special vehicles included above			
13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	467	13	178
2. Wet	79	1	28
3. Snowy or icy	226	2	93
4. Other	93		20
5. Not stated			
Totals	865	16	319

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Building	68	1	14
2. Not building	797	15	305
3. Not stated			
Totals	865	16	319

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	359	5	123
2. Dawn or dusk	56		20
3. Darkness	450	11	176
4. Not stated			
Totals	865	16	319

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	174		91
2. Failed to yield right of way	36		17
3. Drove left of center	21		12
4. Improper overtaking	3		1
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	3		3
7. Followed too closely	8		2
8. Made improper turn	1		
9. Other improper driving	10		5
10. Inadequate brakes	1		1
11. Improper lights	1		1
12. Had been drinking	27		19
Totals	285		152

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF STATEWIDE

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD DECEMBER

1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	19		6
2. Clear	1139	8	357
3. Raining	8		
4. Snowing	331	3	89
5. Fog	29		11
6. Other	144	1	51
Total	1670	12	514

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	13		2
2. Straight road—level	1099	6	332
3. Straight road—hillcrest	37		12
4. Straight road—on grade	269	4	84
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	128		48
7. Curve—hillcrest	14		2
8. Curve—on grade	103	2	33
9. Curve—not stated	7		1
Total	1670	12	514

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	291	2	102
2. Farmers or farm laborers	112	1	31
3. Students	513		126
4. Sales persons	76	2	21
5. Commercial drivers	170	4	63
6. Military personnel	81		29
7. Housewives & domestic servants	277	1	87
8. Retired & pensioners	120	1	39
9. All other workers	1024	8	305
Total	2664	19	803

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	197	6	42
2. Received classroom training in school	3		1
3. Received behind the wheel training	439	1	158
4. Received both classes of training	1265	12	417
5. No driver training	1904	19	618
Total			

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	69		18
2. HBD—obviously drunk	23		12
3. HBD—ability impaired	31		16
4. HBD—ability not impaired	50		16
5. HBD—not known if impaired	120	2	59
6. Had not been drinking	1480	14	446
7. Not known if drinking	131	3	51
Total	1904	19	618

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	17		6
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	18		4
4. Loose material on surface	38	1	10
5. Under construction or repair	6		3
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	48		12
7. Other	2		1
8. No defects	1064	11	368
Total	1193	12	404

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	205	1	57
2. Equipped with in use	416	3	103
3. Equipped with not in use	1456	7	456
4. Not equipped with	587	8	178
Total	2664	19	803
1. Not stated	1208	6	312
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	234	3	163
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	147	2	49
4. SB did not or could not have helped	1075	8	279
Total	2664	19	803

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	713		256
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	480	12	148
3. Not stated			
Total	1193	12	404
1. Not stated	244	1	71
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	36	1	23
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	5	3	2
4. Not exceeding legal speed limit	200	3	78
5. No speed violation	1517	12	461
Total	2002	20	635
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	16	1	7
2. Hit & run accidents			



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In MONTANA For DECEMBER 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Insured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	393	4	156	233	5	211	80	77	54
2. Overturned on road	13		3	10		3	3		
3. Pedestrian	17	2	15		2	17	4	12	1
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	944	4	276	664	5	421	101	143	177
5. Parked motor vehicle	120	2	17	101	2	17	6	7	4
6. Railroad train	6		3	3		5	3	1	1
7. Bicyclist									
8. Animal	50		4	46		5	1	3	1
9. Fixed object	113		30	83		43	17	18	8
10. Other object	2		2			2	1		1
11. Other non-collision	12		8	4		9	2	3	4
12. Misc.									
Totals	1670	12	514	1144	14	733	218	264	251

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		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Collision of Motor Vehicle with:	1. Ran off road	372	13	178	4971	144	3310	4410	123	2851	+17.1%
	2. Overturned on road	1			80		61	54	3	44	-100%
	3. Pedestrian	9		11	213	30	205	139	19	144	+57.9%
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	1067	6	316	9685	112	4616	8299	122	3329	+8.2%
	5. Parked motor vehicle	156	2	11	1417	6	299	1174	4	202	+50.0%
	6. Railroad train	5	2	2	61	14	29	52	12	35	+16.7%
	7. Bicyclist				98	4	104	75	2	77	+100%
	8. Animal	22		3	850	1	85	438		77	+INF%
	9. Fixed object	51		15	752	15	262	557	30	206	+50.0%
	10. Other object	2		1	11		3	7		2	NC
	11. Other non-collision	11		8	109	2	43	70	3	43	-33.3%
	12. Misc.							1		1	NC
Totals		1646	23	545	18247	328	9017	15276	318	7011	+3.1%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	328	318	+3.1%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	5079	4800	+5.8%
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	6.5	6.6	-1.9%
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	5.4	5.3	+9.1%
5. Fatal accidents	275	252	+9.1%

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents			Number of Persons			Number of Accidents			Number of Persons		
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more that have special rates listed in 1960 census												
1. 2,500 to 10,000	164		41	123		50						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	151		48	103		62						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	122	1	40	82	1	57						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	341		96	245		122						
5. 100,000 or more												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	778	1	225	553	1	291						
RURAL: All locations other than those listed in 1960 census												
1. Controlled access highway	89	2		62	2	45						
2. State routes	426	9		257	11	244						
3. County routes	377			272		153						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	892	11		591	13	442						
Total urban and rural	1670	12	225	1144	14	733						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon																		
8. Midnight	81		5		7		8		11		25		18		7			
9. 1:00	61		9		3		7		7		6		15		14			
10. 2:00	50	2	4		7	1	4		11	1	8		8		8			
11. 3:00	54	1	1		4		6		5		12	1	14		12			
12. 4:00	23		1		2		6		6		4		3		7			
13. 5:00	9		1		3		3						1		1			
14. 6:00	11		1				2		3		1		3		1			
15. 7:00	18		4		2		4		1		3		2		2			
16. 8:00	46		11		7		8		9		7		3		1			
17. 9:00	67	1	14		9		10		14		10	1	5		5			
18. 10:00	66		11		7		13		12		12		7		4			
19. 11:00	64	1	12		12		5		11		5	1	9		10			
12. Noon	102	1	20		15		11		17	1	14		11		14			
13. 1:00	97		15		13		16		16		13		8		16			
14. 2:00	94		22		8		13		15		14		10		12			
15. 3:00	99	1	21		16		12	1	18		11		12		9			
16. 4:00	147		30		16		28		17		26		13		17			
17. 5:00	125		16		16		16		25		25		17		10			
18. 6:00	98	3	18		15		10		8		34	2	6	1	7			
19. 7:00	85		5		13		15		10		23		12		7			
20. 8:00	80	1	7		7		17		16		15		11		7	1		
21. 9:00	55		2		13		7		9		12		7		5			
22. 10:00	70	1	10		5		7		8		22		9		9	1		
23. 11:00	67		8		4		9		7		20		13		6			
24. Not stated	1				1													
Totals	1670	12	248		205	1	231	1	256	2	322	5	217	1	191	2		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed																	
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										30	15	15	1		1			
2. 5 to 9										28	9	19	4	2	2	1	1	
3. 10 to 14										16	5	11						
4. 15 to 19										142	78	64	6	3	3			
5. 20 to 24			1							134	87	47	4	2	2			
6. 25 to 34	1	1								133	81	52	2	1	1			
7. 35 to 44	1	1		1	1					77	51	26	1	1				
8. 45 to 54	5	3	2							72	46	26						
9. 55 to 64	1		1							56	30	26	1	1				
10. 65 to 74	1		1	1		1				24	9	15	2	2				
11. 75 & older	2		2	1		1				13	7	6	1	1				
12. Not stated										8	4	4	2	1	1			
Totals	14	7	7	3	1	2				733	422	311	24	14	10	1	1	

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	343	1	84	258
2a. From same direction - both going straight	11		3	8
b. Same - one turn, one straight	73		21	52
c. Same - one stopped	110	1	47	62
d. Same - all others	1			1
2b. From opposite direction - both going straight	10		4	6
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	47		13	34
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	595	2	172	421

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	106	1	34	71
2. Going same direction - both moving	121	2	34	85
3a. One car parked	121	1	19	101
b. One car stopped in traffic	51		21	30
c. One car entering parked position	3		1	2
b. One car leaving parked position	18		3	15
3c. One car entering alley or driveway	13		2	11
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	34		8	26
6. All others	2			2
7. Not stated				
Totals	469	4	122	343

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight	18	2		2	16
2. Car turning right	2				2
3. Car turning left	1				1
4. Car backing					1
5. All others					
6. Not stated					
Totals	21	2		2	19

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with	1		1	
7. Fixed object in road	22		4	18
1. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	37		14	23
Collision with	7		4	3
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	92		26	66
6. Fixed object in road	13		2	11
7. Overturned in road	133		55	78
8. At curve	222	4	87	131
9. Straight road	1		1	
10. Fall from moving vehicle	57		7	50
11. All others				
12. Not stated				
Totals	585	4	201	380

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection		7	1			1	2		1	1
b. Same - not at intersection	1	15		4		5	1	2	2	1
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic										
b. Same - against traffic	1	2								
3. Standing on roadway	1	2					1	1		2
4. Getting on or off other vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle on roadway										
6. Other working on roadway		1						1		
7. Playing on roadway										
8. Other on roadway		1			1					
9. Not on roadway										
10. Not stated										
Totals	3	28	1	5		6	4	4	1	5

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	68		18
2. 16	100		27
3. 17	124		28
4. 18 to 19	256	1	68
5. 20 to 24	527	2	168
6. 25 to 34	547	2	176
7. 35 to 44	372	2	117
8. 45 to 54	324	7	94
9. 55 to 64	204	3	67
10. 65 to 74	100	2	23
11. 75 & older	42		17
12. Not stated			
Totals	2664	19	803

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1995	17	601
2. Female	669	2	202
3. Not stated			
Totals	2664	19	803

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Rural resident	2121	6	612
2. Residing elsewhere in state	385	10	131
3. Nonresident of state	158	3	60
4. Not stated			
Totals	2664	19	803

Vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	2262	11	656
2. Passenger car and trailer	2		
3. Truck or truck tractor	442	5	127
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	86	4	35
5. Other truck combination	3		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Trolley	1		
8. Bus	8		3
9. School bus	2		
10. Motorcycle	3		3
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle	1		1
12. Others and not stated	9		3
Totals	2819	20	828

Special vehicles included above

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	341	4	146
2. Wet	44		18
3. Slushy or icy	1171	8	325
4. Other	103		22
5. Not stated	13		3
Totals	1670	12	514

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Build-up	878	2	245
2. Not build-up	791	10	269
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	1670	12	514

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	839	4	228
2. Dawn or dusk	103	1	35
3. Darkness	715	7	248
4. Not stated	13		3
Totals	1670	12	514

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	355		146
2. Failed to yield right of way	174		43
3. Drove left of center	34		6
4. Improper overtaking	11		4
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	25		6
7. Followed too closely	30		12
8. Made improper turn	12		5
9. Other improper driving	5		1
10. Inadequate brakes	1		
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	35		18
Totals	682		241

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF

ACCIDENTS

Urban

PERIOD

DECEMBER

1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	13		4
2. Clear	560		172
3. Raining	6		
4. Snowing	134		29
5. Fog	10		2
6. Other	55		18
Total	778		225

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	8		1
2. Straight road—level	629		185
3. Straight road—hillcrest	8		4
4. Straight road—on grade	100		27
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	22		7
7. Curve—hillcrest	3		
8. Curve—on grade	6		1
9. Curve—not stated	2		
Total	778		225

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	133		48
2. Farmers or farm laborers	26		5
3. Students	310		73
4. Sales persons	52		14
5. Commercial drivers	41		17
6. Military personnel	40		13
7. Housewives & domestic servants	169		50
8. Retired & pensioners	59		21
9. All other workers	553		155
Total	1383		396

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	179		40
2. Received classroom training in school	1		1
3. Received behind the wheel training			
4. Received both classes of training	201		63
5. No driver training	496		149
Total	877		253

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	64		16
2. HBD—obviously drunk	10		3
3. HBD—ability impaired	9		2
4. HBD—ability not impaired	24		5
5. HBD—not known if impaired	31		16
6. Had not been drinking	698		195
7. Not known if drinking	41		16
Total	877		253

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders			
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	7		1
4. Loose material on surface	10		
5. Under construction or repair	1		
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	11		3
7. Other	2		1
8. No defects	454		139
Total	485		144

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	190		55
2. Equipped with in use	187		43
3. Equipped with not in use	751		221
4. Not equipped with	255		77
Total	1383		396
1. Not stated	940		269
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	20		19
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	5		1
4. SB did not or could not have helped	418		107
Total	1383		396

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	375		107
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	110		37
3. Not stated			
Total	485		144
1. Not stated	179		47
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	12		4
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit			
5. No speed violation	12		3
Total	745		210
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	948		264
2. Hit & run accidents	18		4



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For DECEMBER 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	13		3	10		5	2	3	
2. Overturned on road	2		2			2	2		
3. Pedestrian	12	1	11		1	11	2	8	1
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	577		164	413		218	45	64	109
5. Parked motor vehicle	86		12	74		12	5	4	3
6. Railroad train	1			1					
7. Bicyclist									
8. Animal									
9. Fixed object	79		24	55		33	17	8	8
10. Other object	2		2			2	1		1
11. Other non-collision	7		7			8	2	3	3
12. Misc.									
Totals	779	1	225	553	1	291	76	90	125

SUMMARY OF URBAN ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of \$ 250.... or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

REPORT PREPARED BY
RECORDS & STATISTICAL SECTION
MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	6		2	297	5	132	146		62	+Inf. \$
2. Overturned on road	1			28		26	22		20	NC \$
3. Pedestrian	6		6	139	10	134	90		96	+233 \$
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	729		125	5987	9	2266	5286	7	1513	+28.6 \$
5. Parked motor vehicle	123		5	1091		212	933	2	156	-100 \$
6. Railroad train	2		1	10	1	6	13	1	5	NC \$
7. Bicyclist				71		77	54		56	NC \$
8. Animal							7		2	NC \$
9. Fixed object	47		14	425	1	183	414	5	155	-89.0 \$
10. Other object	2		1	6		4	7		2	NC \$
11. Other non-collision	2		3	13		12	10	1	8	-100 \$
12. Misc.							1		1	NC \$
Totals	918		157	8067	26	3052	6983	19	2076	+36.8 \$

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	26	19	+36.8 %
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage travelled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal accidents	22	18	+22.2 %
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies Turnpikes, parkways, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents			Number of Persons			Number of Accidents			Number of Persons		
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Fatal	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000	164		41	123		50						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	152	1	48	103	1	62						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	122		40	82		57						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	341		96	245		122						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	779	1	225	553	1	291						
1. Controlled access highway												
2. State routes												
3. County routes												
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural												
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
6. Midnight	34		2		4		5		4		7		8		4			
7. 1:00	28		3		1		5		3		1		6		9			
8. 2:00	19		1		2		3		4		4		3		2			
9. 3:00	19				2		1		1		7		5		3			
10. 4:00	5								2									
11. 5:00	3				1		1								1			
12. 6:00	3						1		1		1							
13. 7:00	5		1				1		1		1		1					
14. 8:00	17		5		1		4		5		1		1					
15. 9:00	33		9		5		4		7		6		2					
16. 10:00	34	1	5		4		9		3		6		4		3			
17. 11:00	30		6		3		4		6		2		4		5			
18. Noon	45		14		7		6		4		6		5		3			
19. 1:00	55		7		11		12		10		6		3		6			
20. 2:00	44		12		4		6		6		7		5		4			
21. 3:00	50		11		8		5		8		7		7		4			
22. 4:00	78		14		10		16		10		17		7		5			
23. 5:00	71		11		10		14		15		15		11		4			
24. 6:00	50		12		5		7		2		17		3		4			
25. 7:00	29		1		7		4		6		7		3		1			
26. 8:00	31		1		2		8		9		5		3		3			
27. 9:00	28				8		4		4		6		3		3			
28. 10:00	32		4		3		4		5		8		5		3			
29. 11:00	34		6				4		3		13		5		3			
30. Not stated	1				1													
Totals	778	1	125		99		119		118		150		94		73			

4 AGE OF CASUALTY				Number of Persons Killed									Total Injured								
				Total killed			Pedestrians						Total Injured			Pedestrians					
				Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
1. 0 to 4													14	7	7	1		1			
2. 5 to 9													16	3	13	4	2	2	1	1	
3. 10 to 14													8	1	7						
4. 15 to 19													54	25	29	2		2			
5. 20 to 24													54	31	23	3	2	1			
6. 25 to 34													44	19	25						
7. 35 to 44													26	16	10	1	1				
8. 45 to 54													25	15	10						
9. 55 to 64													24	7	17	1	1				
10. 65 to 74													13	3	10	2	2				
11. 75 & older				1		1			1				6	4	2	1	1				
12. Not stated													7	3	4	2	1	1			
Totals				1		1			1				291	134	157	17	10	7	1	1	

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.				Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle				263		70	139
2a. From same direction - both going straight				5		1	4
b. Same - one turn, one straight				37		6	31
c. Same - one stopped				91		39	52
d. Same - all others				1			1
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight				7		3	4
b. Same - one left turn, one straight				30		11	19
c. Same - all others							
4. Not stated							
Totals				434		130	304

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.				Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving				28		7	21
2. Going same direction - both moving				30		8	22
3a. One car parked				87		13	74
b. One car stopped at traffic				30		9	21
4a. One car entering parked position				3		1	2
b. One car leaving parked position				11		2	9
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				13		2	11
b. One car leaving alley or driveway				28		5	33
6. All others							
7. Not stated							
Totals				230		47	183

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS				All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight				13	1		12
2. Car turning right				2			2
3. Car turning left				1			1
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals				16	1		15

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS				Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.				1		1	
2. Fixed object in road				13		3	10
3. Overturned in road							
4. Left road				3		2	1
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.				2		1	1
6. Fixed object in road				67		21	46
7. Overturned in road				1		1	
8. At curve				2			2
9. Straight road				7		1	6
10. Fell from moving vehicle				1		1	
11. All others				2		2	
12. Not stated							
Totals				99		33	66

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE				Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
				Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - intersection				7	1				2		1	1	1
b. Same - not at intersection				8		4		1	1		1	1	1
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic				1									
b. Same - against traffic				1									
3. Standing in roadway													
4. Getting on or off other vehicle													
5. Pushing or marking on vehicle in roadway													
6. Other walking in roadway				1						1			
7. Playing in roadway													
8. Other in roadway				1		1							
9. Not in roadway													
10. Not stated													
Totals				1	19	1	5	2	3	1	1	4	2

Drivers of vehicles or proper parking locations are excluded

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	50		17
2. 19	62		18
3. 17	76		15
4. 18 to 19	143		34
5. 20 to 24	285	1	85
6. 25 to 34	271		75
7. 35 to 44	173		59
8. 45 to 54	158		40
9. 55 to 64	101		31
10. 65 to 74	42		12
11. 75 & older	23		10
12. Not stated			
Totals	1384	1	396

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1288	1	363
2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. Truck or truck tractor	196		46
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	2		1
5. Other truck combination			
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Trolley	1		
8. Bus	4		1
9. School bus	1		
10. Motorcycle	1		1
11. Motor tractor and/or motor bicycle	1		1
12. Others and not stated	4		1
Totals	1498	1	414

Special vehicles included above

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	116		51
2. Wet	33		12
3. Snowy or icy	617	1	160
4. Other	5		
5. Not stated	8		2
Totals	779	1	225

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Sidewalk	778	1	225
2. Not sidewalk	1		
3. Not stated			
Totals	779	1	225

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	419		102
2. Dawn or dusk	52	1	20
3. Darkness	300		101
4. Not stated	8		2
Totals	779	1	225

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	161		53
2. Failed to yield right of way	134		33
3. Drove left of center	9		1
4. Improper overtaking	1		
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	22		5
7. Followed too closely	14		5
8. Wrong improper turn	9		4
9. Other improper driving	1		
10. Inadequate brakes	1		
11. Improper lights			
12. Not been driving	18	1	5
Totals	370	1	106

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF RURAL ACCIDENTS

PERIOD DECEMBER 1971

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	6		2
2. Clear	579	8	185
3. Raining	2		
4. Snowing	197	3	60
5. Fog	19		9
6. Other	89	1	33
Total	892	12	289

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	5		1
2. Straight road—level	470	6	147
3. Straight road—hillcrest	29		8
4. Straight road—on grade	169	4	57
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	106		41
7. Curve—hillcrest	11		2
8. Curve—on grade	97	2	32
9. Curve—not stated	5		1
Total	892	12	289

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	158	2	54
2. Farmers or farm laborers	86	1	26
3. Students	203		53
4. Sales persons	24	2	7
5. Commercial drivers	129	4	46
6. Military personnel	41		16
7. Housewives & domestic servants	108	1	37
8. Retired & pensioners	61	1	18
9. All other workers	471	8	150
Total	1281	19	407

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	18	6	2
2. Received classroom training in school	2		
3. Received behind the wheel training	238	1	95
4. Received both classes of training	769	12	268
5. No driver training	1027	19	365
Total			

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	5		2
2. HBD—obviously drunk	13		9
3. HBD—ability impaired	22		14
4. HBD—ability not impaired	26		11
5. HBD—not known if impaired	89	2	43
6. Had not been drinking	782	14	251
7. Not known if drinking	90	3	35
Total	1027	19	362

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	17		6
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	11		3
4. Loose material on surface	28	1	10
5. Under construction or repair	5		3
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	37		9
7. Other			
8. No defects	610	11	229
Total	708	12	260

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	15	1	2
2. Equipped with in use	229	3	60
3. Equipped with not in use	705	7	244
4. Not equipped with	332	8	101
Total	1281	19	407
1. Not stated	268	6	43
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	214	3	144
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	142	2	48
4. SB did not or could not have helped	657	8	172
Total	1281	19	407

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	338		149
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	370	12	111
3. Not stated			
Total	708	12	260
1. Not stated	65	1	24
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	24	1	19
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	5	3	2
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	188	3	75
6. No speed violation	772	12	251
Total	1054	20	371
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents	14	7	3



STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For DECEMBER 1971
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	380	4	153	223	5	206	78	74	54
2. Overturned on road	11		1	10		1	1		
3. Pedestrian	5	1	4		1	6	2	4	
4. Motor vehicle on traffic	367	4	112	251	5	203	56	79	68
5. Parked motor vehicle	34	2	5	27	2	5	1	3	1
6. Railroad train	5		3	2		5	3	1	1
7. Bicyclist									
8. Animal	50		4	46		5	1	3	1
9. Fixed object	34		6	28		10		10	
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	5		1	4		1			1
12. Misc.									
Totals	891	11	289	591	13	442	142	174	126

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

- a. Bleeding, wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.
- b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.
- c. Complaint of pain, with or without signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF RURAL ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 250 or more

☐ In the accident☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

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RECORDS & STATISTICAL SECTION
MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS		Same Month Last Year			This Year To Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Month Records
		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Classification of Motor Vehicle with:	1. Ran off road	366	13	176	4674	139	3178	4264	123	2789	+13.0%
	2. Overturned on road				52		35	32	3	24	-100%
	3. Pedestrian	3		5	73	20	71	49	16	48	+250%
	4. Motor vehicle on traffic	338	6	191	3698	103	2350	3013	115	1816	-104%
	5. Parked motor vehicle	33	2	6	326	6	87	241	2	46	+200%
	6. Railroad train	3	2	1	51	13	23	39	11	30	+182%
	7. Bicyclist				27	4	27	21	2	21	+100%
	8. Animal	22		3	850	1	85	431		75	+INF%
	9. Fixed object	4		1	327	14	79	143	25	51	-440%
	10. Other object				5						NC
	11. Other non-collision	9		5	96	2	30	60	2	35	NC
	12. Misc.										NC
Totals		778	23	388	10179	302	5965	8293	299	4935	+1.0%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	302	299	+1.0
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)			
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles			
5. Fatal accidents	253	234	+8.1

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Towns, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 to more												
7. Total urban												
1. Controlled access highway	89	1	25	62	1	45						
2. State routes	426	9	160	257	11	244						
3. County routes	376	1	104	272	1	153						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	891	11	289	591	13	442						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
8. Midnight	47		3		3		3		7		18		10		3			
1. 1:00	33		6		2		2		4		5		9		5			
2. 2:00	31	2	3		5	1	1		7	1	4		5		6			
3. 3:00	35	1	1		2		5		4		5	1	9		9			
4. 4:00	18		1		2				4		4		3		4			
5. 5:00	6		1		2		2						1					
6. 6:00	8		1				1		2				3		1			
7. 7:00	13		3		2		3				2		1		2			
8. 8:00	29		6		6		4		4		6		2		1			
9. 9:00	34		5		4		6		7		4	1	3		5			
10. 10:00	32		6		3		4		9		6		3		1			
11. 11:00	34	1	6		9		5		5		3	1	5		5			
12. Noon	57	1	6		8		5		13	1	8		6		11			
13. 1:00	42		8		2		4		6		7		5		10			
14. 2:00	50		10		4		7		9		7		5		8			
15. 3:00	49	1	10		8		7	1	10		4		5		5			
16. 4:00	69		16		6		12		7		9		6		13			
17. 5:00	34		5		6		11		11		10		6		5			
18. 6:00	48	3	6		10		3		6		17	2	3	1	3			
19. 7:00	56		4		6		11		4		16		9		6			
20. 8:00	49	1	6		5		9		7		10		8		4	1		
21. 9:00	27		2		5		3		5		6		4		2			
22. 10:00	38	1	6		2		3		3		14		4		6	1		
23. 11:00	33		2		4		5		4		7		8		3			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	892	11	123		106	1	112	1	138	2	172	5	123	1	118	2		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										16	8	8						
2. 5 to 9										12	6	6						
3. 10 to 14										8	4	4						
4. 15 to 19										88	53	35	4	3	1			
5. 20 to 24	3	2	1							80	56	24	1		1			
6. 25 to 34	1	1								89	62	27	2	1	1			
7. 35 to 44	1	1		1	1					51	35	16						
8. 45 to 54	5	3	2							47	31	16						
9. 55 to 64	1		1							32	23	9						
10. 65 to 74										11	6	5						
11. 75 & older	2		2	1		1				7	3	4						
12. Not stated										1	1							
Totals	13	7	6	2	1	1				442	288	154	7	4	3			

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Following at angle	80	1	14	65
2a. From same direction - both going straight	6		2	4
b. Same - one left, one straight	36		15	21
c. Same - one stopped	19	1	8	10
d. Same - all others				
2b. From opposite direction - both going straight	3		1	2
a. Same - one left turn, one straight	17		2	15
c. Same - all others				
6. Not stated				
Totals	161	2	42	117

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	7	1	27	50
2. Going same direction - both moving	91	2	26	63
3a. One car parked	34	1	6	27
b. One car stopped in traffic	21		12	9
3b. One car entering parked position				
a. One car leaving parked position	7		1	6
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	6		3	3
6. All others	2		2	
7. Not stated				
Totals	239	4	75	160

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight	5	1	1	4
2. Car turning right				
3. Car turning left				
4. Car backing				
5. All others				
6. Not stated				
Totals	5	1	1	4

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle - man, bicycle, etc.	9		1	8
2. Fixed object in road				
3. Overturned in road	34		12	22
4. Left road	5		3	2
5. Non-motor vehicle - man, bicycle, etc.	25		5	20
6. Fixed object in road	12		1	11
7. Overturned in road	131		55	76
8. All curves	215	4	86	125
9. Straight road				
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others	55		5	50
12. Not stated				
Totals	486	4	168	314

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection											
b. Same - not at intersection	1	7				4				1	
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic											
b. Same - against traffic								2			
3. Standing in roadway	1	2									
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway							1	1			
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway											
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated											
Totals	2	9				4	1	3		1	

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	18		1
2. 16	38		9
3. 17	48		13
4. 18 to 19	113	1	34
5. 20 to 24	242	1	83
6. 25 to 34	276	2	101
7. 35 to 44	199	2	58
8. 45 to 54	166	7	54
9. 55 to 64	103	3	36
10. 65 to 74	58	2	11
11. 75 & older	19		7
12. Not stated			
Totals	1280	18	407

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1034	15	332
2. Female	246	2	75
3. Not stated			
Totals	1280	18	407

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Rural residence	852	5	257
2. Residing elsewhere in state	301	10	100
3. Non-residents of state	127	3	50
4. Not stated			
Totals	1280	18	407

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	974	8	293
2. Passenger car and trailer	2		
3. Truck or truck tractor	246	5	81
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	84	4	34
5. Other truck combination	3		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Trolley			
8. Bus	4		2
9. School bus	1		
10. Motorcycle	2		2
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	5		2
Totals	1321	18	414

Special vehicles included above	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	12		6

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	225	4	95
2. Wet	11		6
3. Snowy or icy	554	7	165
4. Other	96		22
5. Not stated	5		1
Totals	891	11	289

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	100	1	20
2. Not built-up	790	10	269
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	891	11	289

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	420	4	126
2. Dawn or dusk	52	1	15
3. Darkness	414	6	147
4. Not stated	5		
Totals	891	11	289

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	194		93
2. Failed to yield right of way	40		10
3. Drove left of center	25		5
4. Improper overtaking	10		4
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	3		1
7. Followed too closely	16		7
8. Made improper turn	3		1
9. Other improper driving	4		1
10. Improper lights			
11. Not been drinking			
12. Had been drinking	18		13
Totals	313		135

